INSIDE THIS WEEK:

Red Carpet
Haliburton film festival is a testament to the extraordinary talent in this county

Poverty Warning
The health unit issues a "call to care" for the county's poor as economy declines

Winning Streak
Matt Duchene and Cody Hodgson try to break Battalion's record for wins

THE ECHO
HALIBURTON COUNTY
Tuesday, November 18, 2008 www.haliburtonecho.ca Vol. 125 No. 30 $1.25 incl. GST

Boomers keep real estate market healthy

JENN WATT
Staff Reporter

Toronto's aging population will likely be the foundation for Haliburton County's healthy real estate market over the next 10 years, brokers say.

As the baby boomers reach their 60s and begin to ease into retirement or semi-retirement they will be looking to sell their properties in the big city and head to this county, and that's something that promises to keep the housing market in good standing even as the national headlines warn of a housing slump.

"I would think for the next 10 to 15 years there's going to be a pile of people who want to retire to a community like Haliburton that's got good infrastructure and nice community sense to it and good facilities," said broker Anthony vanLieshout of Royal LePage.

Andrew Hodgson, a sales representative at Century 21, agrees.

"I feel good about the future, I feel good about Haliburton County. As access gets better with the 407 and 404 [highways], as interest rates stay low, gas prices stay low, we have the foundation.

See **Prices** *page 19*

MATT JAMES/Echo

Winter angel

Four-year-old Alyssa Morissette was just one of a few hundred students at Stuart Baker Elementary School who was happy to see the snow fly. Alyssa makes a snow angel during recess on Monday, November 17. See page 15 for Remembrance Day photos from SBES.

Property owners likely see 10% hike

Haliburton area property taxpayers will see an average assessment increase of approximately 10 per cent in 2009 as the result of the four-year phase-in of assessment increases introduced by the provincial government.

"Residential property values have increased by approximately 40 per cent in the Haliburton area since 2005, when the last assessment update was done. Because of the four-year phase-in introduced by the provincial government, property taxpayers here will see an average assessment increase of approximately 10 per cent next year," said Judy Piggott, municipal relations representative in the Peterborough office of the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC).

An increase in assessment does not necessarily mean an increase in property taxes. If the assessed value of a home has increased by the same percentage as the average in the municipality, there might be no increase in the property taxes paid by a property owner.

Since 2005, waterfront property and farmland for farming purposes in Haliburton County have also both increased in value, by approximately 41 per cent and 19 per cent respectively. Because of the four-year phase-in, property taxpayers will see an average increase of approximately 10 per cent and five per cent respectively, for the 2009 tax year.

The phase-in program does not apply to decreases in assessed value.

See **MPAC** *page 19*

HALIBURTON TIM-BR Mart
KEEP WARM this winter!
NAPOLEON Award Winning Products
Come in and see our huge selection of Napoleon fireplaces & stoves - valuable additions to your home, cottage or both!
Haliburton
TIM-BR MART
5138 County Road #21,
Haliburton, Ontario
(705) 457-2510
or 1-877-425-5862
FAX: (705) 457-1591
AIR MILES Travel and More

Dr. Steve Ferracuti is new chief of staff

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

As the provincial government tightens its spending in preparation for an economic downturn, the challenges facing our healthcare system will be more acute than ever, says the new chief of medial staff for Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

"Hospitals are going to be asked to do more with less," says Dr. Steve Ferracuti, who's replacing Bob Heyes. "There aren't going to be any budget increases."

The main challenge facing the HHHS today is staff shortages, especially among nurses who are having to work many long shifts. HHHS must be able to keep its staff as well as find ways to support them. This is particularly difficult at small, rural hospitals which cannot offer a wide variety of clinical services.

That said, "I think there's a lot of room to do things better. Things are done well here and the staff are incredible but systematically there are a lot of things that can be improved. How this will be done with respect to the LHIN remains to be seen."

The Central Ontario LHIN is still working on a plan of how best to provide services on a regional basis. It's important to ensure that Haliburton County's needs are well represented. "We have to stand up for our hospitals. There's a lot of planning and requests for input but it still remains to be seen how it will affect people."

He praises Dr. Heyes's seven years of service.

Santa's helpers

On Friday, Janet Divell was joined by fellow volunteers Cheryl Russell, Dorothy Black, Linda Taylor and Mary McCrae in decorating three trees in front of the *Echo* office. They brought festive cheer to many places along Haliburton's main street as part of the BIA's celebration of the seaon.

KROWN
#1 In Rust Control ~ Protect your vehicle from salt
CAA Approved
FREE CAR WASH
with Krown Rust Spray with this ad
RUST & PAINT TOUCH-UPS DETAILING AVAILABLE
105 Industrial Park Road
(ENTER AT REAR OF BUILDING)
Oil Changes from $28.00
Shop Space Available to Share
(705) 457-1033

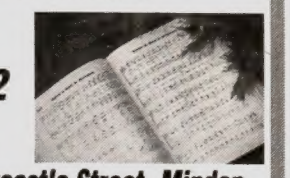
Minden Metal Recycling
Bingham Road
Ph: 286-2512 Cell: 457-5527
We Remove Derelict Vehicles & Scrap Metal
We Buy Cars, Aluminum, Copper, Rads, Batteries, Catalytic Converters Etc.
We Sell Used Auto Parts, Tires, Pipe, Angle Iron Etc.
Let Us Recycle Your Metal
Call For A Quote

The Staff of Seasons
hair salon • day spa
would like to send our best wishes
to our fellow hair dressers
who are currently unable to work
due to their unfortunate illnesses,
including Lori Young.
We look forward to her return
in the near future, until then
please know we would be pleased to
serve her clientele.
Victoria Street
(By the river in Haliburton)
457-9029

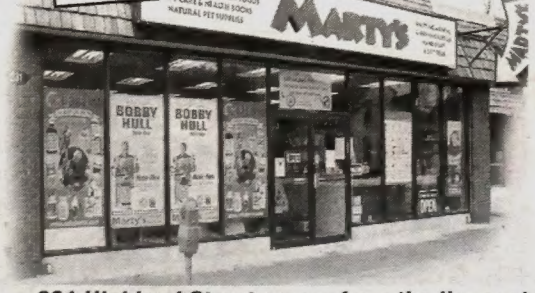
MISSING CAT
Last seen on Riverside Drive.
Mainly orange with white under the chin & on the belly.
Short haired male cat.
No collar.
Name is "Scrappy"
If you have seen this cat or he is hanging around your house, please contact Vince at 457-0046

Advertise in the THE ECHO Call 457-1037

Highlands Festival Singers
Melissa Stephens, Conductor
Guest Organist and Solists
Handel's "Messiah"
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22
7:30 p.m.
United Church, Newcastle Street, Minden
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23
2:30 p.m.
St. George's Anglican Church
Mountain St., Haliburton
Tickets: $20.00
Available at Kitchens Etc.-Haliburton & Pharmasave-Minden
Donations from the proceeds will be made to the Minden & Haliburton Food Banks



MARTY'S
Haliburton's best source for over 18 years
• Vitamin & Herbal Products
• Health, Bulk & Gourmet Foods
• Natural Body Care & Health Books
• Yoga & Music CDs
• Natural Pet Products
• Knitting, Weaving & Spinning Supplies
• Hand Craft & Gift Ideas
231 Highland Street across from the liquor store
(705) 457-3216



Your Personal Invitation
Haliburton
A HISTORY IN PICTURES

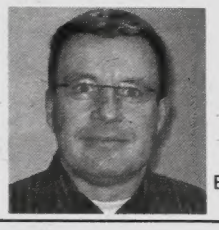
The Haliburton Highlands Museum has been serving our community for 40 years. In order to mark the occasion we have published a book of historical images of Haliburton.
Please join us for the launch of this important book on
Saturday, November 22nd, 2008
2:00-4:00 p.m.
A special book launch price will apply.
Refreshments will be served.
Music by Bethany Houghton.
Please not that there will be no sales of this book prior to the event. Terms cash or cheque. 457-2760

ECHO news

Tuesday, November 18, 2008 Page 3

Assante WEALTH MANAGEMENT

Assante Financial Management Ltd.



Gordon Schakelaar
Branch Manager
Senior Financial Planning Advisor

The Village Court
Haliburton, Ontario

T: (705) 457-5145
F: (705) 457-9185
Toll Free: 1-800-891-5713
E-mail: gschakelaar@assante.com

48-Create: picture of a county

JENN WATT
Staff Reporter

Give the community video cameras and teach them how to use basic editing software and you get a self-portrait as rich in range and diversity as Haliburton County possesses. This year's 48-Create submissions took the audience on a family trip to the Grand Canyon, to the crime scene of a "cereal" murder, into the mind of a man with writer's block and into a Lego world where a robot designed to kill a Jurassic Park raptor turned on its human creators. Kids made movies, families made movies, high school students made movies and they were all incredibly distinct from one another and surprisingly reflective of the area we live in.

The idea was for participants to create a five-minute film in four days and eight hours. It had to include a mention or image related to Kawartha Dairy and the word "election." All the submissions were screened Sunday at the Northern Lights Pavilion to a good-sized crowd and $200 prizes were given out for the best in age categories.

Justin vanLieshout won best elementary for *Cereal Killer*, a black-and-white silent film about a menacing cow that kills cereal in the night and a dog who is wrongfully imprisoned for the crime. Madi Rallis and Mitch Rea won best secondary for *Concurrence* about a Lego society's struggle to stop a velociraptor from eliminating the village.

A tie was declared between the Stagg family and the Youngdale family in the family category. The Staggs' *Imagine* captured the quietude of the outdoors in juxtaposition with the loudness of a crime-obsessed media and bustling Toronto streets. The Youngdales' *Scooped* played on *The Matrix* when two agents fight it out in the aisles of Haliburton Foodland over a tub of ice cream.

The adult category also had a tie between Chris King's *Writer's Block* and Jennifer Wanless-Craig's *Beer Season*. Wanless-Craig's film brought the viewer to a hunt camp populated with beer-drinking plastic figurines watching short, funny television clips while King's film captured the cyclical mental process of a film writer battling writer's block. All of the participants were guided through the process by a series of experienced storytellers including Jerelyn Craden, Charles Taylor and organizer Tammy Rea.

"I was shocked at the quality this year," Rea said after the films had screened. Next year, she said, they would run the awards more like the "real Oscars" with prizes for best sound, cinematography and acting among others.

First-time filmmakers Darlene Buckingham and Shawn Arscott screened *U: The story of uranium and us*. Photo by Jenn Watt

Local producers make HIFF their own

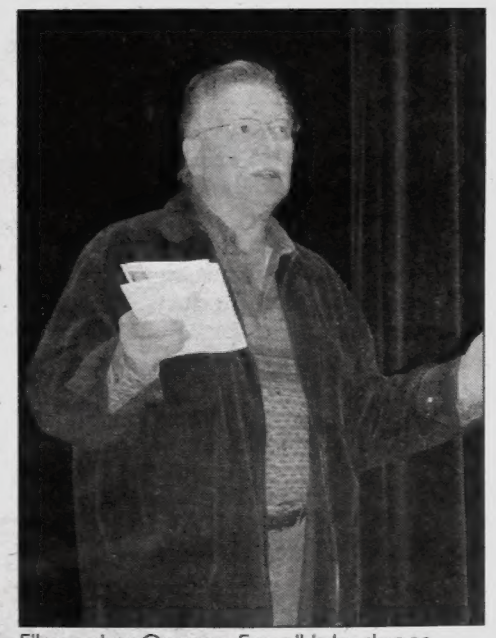
JENN WATT
Staff Reporter

Not many communities are as empowered to tell their own stories as Haliburton County. This year's Haliburton International Film Festival had a day-long local film screening Sunday that offered glimpses into people's lives, experiences and accomplishments that is in all likelihood unparalleled in other small towns.

The day began with a trio of films by George Farrell all about projects in the Highlands. *The Hawk River Log Chute* and *Making of A River Needs to Run* both made their premier showings (in addition to *The Making of Last of the Great White Pines*) to an audience of more than 40 people at the Northern Lights Pavilion.

All three movies were made in an interactive, participatory fashion with the subjects Farrell was portraying. In a process that was "a bit painful" Farrell and Stanhope museum volunteer Carol Moffatt dug through old photographs together for *Hawk River Log Chute* and wrote narration to complete a short film commissioned by the museum.

In *The Making of A River Needs to Run* the writer of the play, Michael Fay, was part producer of the film. Farrell interviewed the actors for their insights on the play, which ran in Minden this summer. Instead of just giving a sense of the story behind the making of the Minden hydro dam, he also captured the collective exuberance of the mostly teenage actors and the mentoring process between the more senior cast and crew and the younger ones.



Filmmaker George Farrell introduces a series of three of his pieces.

Chris King's short film *Lost Birds*, about a girl lost in rural Ontario who comes upon a bed and breakfast staffed by a wonderfully creepy mother and son (played by his mother Shelley and brother Aaron), was reminiscent of Hitchcock's *The Birds* and *Psycho*.

The film *U: A story about uranium and us* brought the audience back to the political struggles in the county with Shawn Arscott and Darlene Buckingham's documentary on the fight against uranium mining in Highlands East.

Armed with a video camera the pair attended most of the recent meetings in opposition to open-pit mining that has captured headlines in local media and more generally in national media relating to nuclear power.

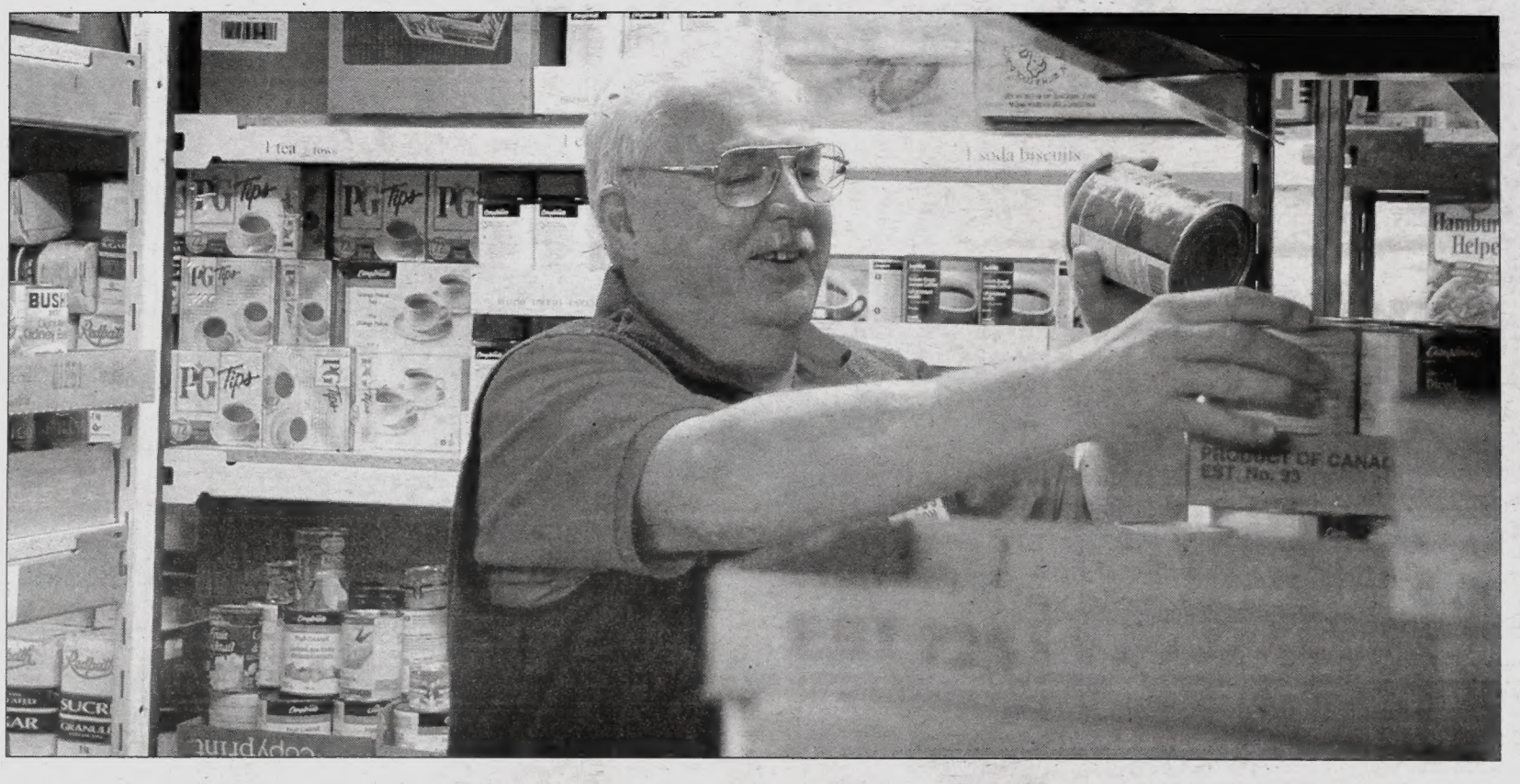
"It shows the journey learning about uranium and coming out the end of it," said Buckingham.

They started filming even though they weren't sure what to do with the footage, but soon transformed it into an informational and passionate polemic against the uranium industry.

Tammy Rea and George Farrell helped the couple with editing and filming creating a 44-minute piece, which roused audience interest.

Buckingham and Arscott ventured to the Cardiff abandoned mine site, confronted politicians and interviewed each other. They also took the viewer into their home, testing for radon gas levels, which they found were above the World Health Organization's recommended limits.

Despite the wide subject range of the films the day blended together well as community members took turns telling their stories to each other visually.



Volunteers at the 4Cs food bank expect to be very busy over the next few weeks. Not only is the number of families relying on the food bank increasing steadily, but the distribution of the Christmas hampers also requires a lot of organization. Ron Mark is busily ensuring the shelves are well stocked.

Photo by Martha Perkins

Health Unit issues a "call to care"

Quick action as worsening economy brings new challenges for low-income residents

Given the deepening financial crisis, public health officials say the need to improve the situation for low-income residents in Haliburton County has never been so pressing.

The urgent "call to care" being made by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit coincides with the release of its new report entitled Child Poverty: A Problem We Cannot Afford.

The report for 2008 provides a statistical snapshot on the challenges faced by some local residents who rely on social assistance or minimum-wage jobs to cover basic expenses such as nutritious food, shelter, utilities, telephone and other costs. The report is done annually, and this year estimates more than 4,000 families with children in Haliburton County, Northumberland County and the City of Kawartha Lakes live in poverty.

"The 2008 numbers are in, and they don't add up to very pretty picture for low-income earners in Haliburton County," says Rosie Kadwell, a registered dietitian with the health unit. "With tough economic times ahead, we're issuing a call to care to local residents to take action to solve a deplorable situation in which some families in our community go hungry and cannot afford basic necessities."

Among the key findings in the health unit's 2008 child poverty report:

- While median family income in this area has gone up, it remains more than $7,600 below the Ontario average.
- For a local family of four, rent and utility costs can eat up anywhere from 60 per cent to 76 per cent of their income. With so much of a family's income going towards shelter costs, Kadwell says there is little left at the end of the month to buy other basic necessities of life.
- Many children in low-income families cannot participate in organized sports and other recreational activities such as music, or afford play equipment such as bikes, helmets or scooters. Studies show that taking part in recreation activities can reduce disease, violence, smoking and substance abuse.
- The number of social assistance recipients in this area has increased since 2003, with almost half of the caseload being families with children.
- The costs of healthy eating continue to rise, due largely to increases in the price of grain-based food products, including breakfast cereal, rice, pasta and flour. In 2008, a weekly nutritious food basket for a local family of four cost $140.81. The "basket" includes 66 food items commonly purchased and recommended by Eating Well With Canada's Food Guide. Kadwell notes that families may forgo healthy foods to cover other monthly expenses, with the result being that they go hungry or opt to purchase unhealthy processed foods that cost less.

According to Health Canada, income is the single most important factor that affects a person's health. That means children living in poverty can have increased illness such as heart disease, diabetes and hypertension, as well as more behavioural issues and challenges to learn in school. For Kadwell, that makes it crucial to address the income gap that leaves some local residents struggling to buy healthy food and find appropriate, affordable housing.

Says Kadwell: "What we know in 2008 is that child poverty trends do not seem to be getting any better here, or across the country. That makes it essential for us to be informed, speak up and get involved in this issue."

To raise awareness of the poverty problem and promote action, the health unit will send copies of its 2008 child poverty report to local politicians, key decision-makers, social-service organizations and others. Local residents can obtain a copy of the report by contacting the Haliburton health unit office at 457-1391 or visiting www.hkpr.on.ca (under "What's New").

Residents of Haliburton County are also encouraged to speak up and join the health unit in lobbying the Ontario government to continue with its poverty-reduction measures "as now, more than ever, action is needed," Kadwell notes.

Area residents can also lobby their federal politicians to increase income support programs and take action to address child poverty at the national level. Locally, encouraging municipal councils to support the construction of more affordable housing units, take measures to improve access to dental care for families, and implement more recreational trails and parks that are accessible to all are other ways to speak up, she adds.

Getting directly involved in poverty-reduction efforts close to home can also make a difference, says Kadwell noting some ways to do this are:

- Supporting local food banks, community gardens, community kitchens, school nutrition programs and food drives with time or donations.
- Sponsoring a membership fee so a child can join a recreation program.
- Volunteering time to be a driver for Community Care can also help people access needed transportation.

"The need is great, but there are specific things that can be done to help reduce poverty," Kadwell adds.

Free Flu Vaccination Clinics

for children over six months of age, teens, adults and senior citizens

CARDIFF
Monday, November 24
4 pm to 7 pm
Cardiff Community Centre
Monck Road

HALIBURTON
Tuesday, November 25
4 pm to 7 pm
Royal Canadian Legion
Mountain Street

NORLAND
Thursday, November 27
3 pm to 7 pm
Pioneer Baptist Church
Highway 35

HKPR Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit
Haliburton County
(705) 457-1391
www.hkpr.on.ca

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR ONTARIO HEALTH CARD.

Vance Motors

(613) 332-1410 • 1-800-55 VANCE

2007 DODGE DAKOTA QUAD CAB 4X4
WHAT A DEAL!!! 4.7 V8, 5SP AUTO, AIR, POWER WINDOWS, POWER LOCKS, TILT, SPEED CONTROL, ALUM WHEELS, FOG LAMPS, RWL TIRES, OVER HEAD CONSOLE, POWER MIRRORS AND MORE!!! stk# 1368
SALE PRICED ONLY $19990*

2005 CARAVAN SXT
ONE OWNER BEAUTY!! 3.3L 4SP AUTO AIR PWR DRIVER'S SEAT, PWR PASSENGER SIDE SLIDING DOOR, ALUM WHEELS, QUAD SEATING WITH SPLIT REAR BENCH SEAT stk# 1370
SALE PRICED @ $9990*

2004 FORD TAURUS 4DR
WOW SUPER CLEAN CAR, 3.0L 6CY AUTOMATIC TRANS, POWER DRIVERS, POWER PEDALS, ALUM WHEELS, LOW MILES stk# 1345A
ONLY $44.00 PER WK*

* SALE PRICES AND WEEKLY PAYMENTS ARE PLUS TAXES LIC ADMIN REG FEE EXTRA, PAYMENTS BASED OVER 60 MONTHS @9.85% OAC SEE DEALER FOR DETAILS

www.vancemotors.com • Station & Hastings Street, Downtown Bancroft

More families will need help this season

Weakening economy causing more families and single men to use food bank

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Last Christmas, the 4Cs gave out $33,000 in food vouchers to local families to spend on their holiday dinners.

If the trend of the past few months continues, it looks like this year the total will be even higher.

The 4Cs runs both the food bank and the Lily Ann secondhand clothing store in Haliburton. Money raised at the Lily Ann goes into the food bank's coffers, which are also generously filled through donations.

In a typical month, the food bank helps to feed 70 households but, as the economy weakens, that number is steadily increasing.

In August, 78 households received donations of food to help stretch their limited incomes. In September, that number reached 88 and by October it was 92.

"All of us who volunteer at the food bank notice a lot of new clients coming in," says long-time volunteer Rose Barry. Some are families but she's noticed a lot more single men.

Right now, the 30 volunteers who donate their time to the food bank and Lily Ann are gearing up for their busiest season. But, although the need might be greater this year, Barry has no doubt the community will respond.

"We've never, never had to put out an appeal," she says. "People here, you don't need to ask.

"It's really been beautiful."

Last year the food bank issued each family two food vouchers to be spent (only on food) at local grocery stores. "This way they could buy what they like to eat," Barry says.

While all donations are gratefully received, the food bank prefers money donations at Christmas. This money goes into the food voucher program and also pays for the gift certificates for Subway and V&S that are given to hard-to-buy-for teenagers.

Last year, the donations of food were enough to keep the shelves of the food bank full until March, which allowed the 4Cs to save money on its food purchases.

Donations of toys are also very welcome. Although the gift certificates have made it easier to figure out what to give teenagers, "with little kids we have to have toys to give them."

Barry credits Aggie Tose for challenging local homebuilders and businesses to donate to the annual toy drive. When a workplace hosts a Christmas party, everyone is asked to bring an unwrapped toy which will be given to a family in need through the 4Cs' Christmas hamper program. The toys are wrapped by volunteers at St. Anthony's Catholic Church and then given to the appropriate families.

Barry's sister Betty Smith remembers the 4Cs' humble beginnings 25 years ago. Today, the 4Cs has its own building thanks to the Fleming College sustainable building program and $50,000 in community donations. (It was the only time the 4Cs had to ask for donations.)

She encourages more people to shop at the Lily Ann as a way to not only grab a good bargain, but contribute to the food bank. She says it's unfortunate that the secondhand store still has a bit of a stigma for some people. "We do a bang-up business."

The two sisters love volunteering at the 4Cs, a friendly place where everyone is welcome and made to feel comfortable.

"It's our chance to do good for somebody," says Smith. Her sister agrees. "All of us have been in need in some way."

The 4Cs is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays. It is staffed entirely by volunteers and gets no government assistance. It's on York Street next to the Rails End Gallery.

MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

Despite the growing needs of Haliburton's poorest residents, Rose Barry has no doubt the community will respond to the food bank's Christmas campaign. Last year the 4Cs gave out $33,000 in food vouchers.

GEORGE'S auto
WE WILL PAY THE GST
TILL JANUARY 3, 2009

2004 FORD ESCAPE XLT
4x4, 4 door, grey
$9,990

2001 FORD F250 EXT CAB
Western Plow
$10,900

2005 FORD ESCAPE
AWD, Loaded,
2 tone silver, 59,000 kms.
$13,990

2004 PONTIAC SUNFIRE
2 dr, sunroof, auto,
97,000 kms.
$6,990

2005 CHEV IMPALA LS
4 dr., loaded, sunroof,
49,000 kms.
$12,500

2005 PONTIAC G6 Si
4 dr, V6, auto,
76,000 kms.
$11,900

2004 PONTIAC MONTANA EXT
Auto, PS, PB, Air,
Loaded,
105,000 kms.
$8,500

2004 CHEV EXT CAB 4X4
V8, Auto, PS, PB, CD,
Air, Tilt & Cruise,
82,000 kms.
$13,900

2004 CHEV OPTRA LS
4 dr, 4 cyl, air
80,000 kms.
$7,995

2005 GMC SIERRA 4x4
Ext. ,Cab, red, 86,000 kms.
$14,500

Most vehicles include a 6 mon. 6,000 km Lubrico Powertrain Warranty.
Corner of Hwy 21 & Industrial Park Road
457-1717
UCDA

JUNK REMOVAL
We will remove almost
ANYTHING!
• Yardwaste • Furniture • Appliances
• Construction Debris • & more
(705) 935-0011

RUST
No Drip Formula
Rustproofing
NEW GAS TANKS
X RAD and HEATERS
REPAIRS TO ALL MAKES
COUNTY AUTO and RAD
174 Industrial Park Road
705-457-1411

Haliburton Highlands
Health Services Foundation
& Heritage Ballet
Proudly Presents
The Enchanted Masquerade Ball
Saturday, November 22nd, 2008
Wigamog Inn Resort
Cocktails: 6:00 pm ~ Dinner: 7:30 pm
$100 per person
Appetizers...Dinner...Wine Tasting...
Entertainment...Dancing...
Selections from The Nutcracker
NUTCRACKER
For Information, Tickets and Sponsorship Opportunities:
Danielle or Steve (705) 457-8344
danielle@laceycellars.com
or
HHHS Foundation (705) 457-1580/286-1580
foundation@hhhs.on.ca

It's not all bad

WHEN YOU TALK TO PEOPLE who lived in Haliburton County in the 1930s, the Great Depression wasn't as much a part of their consciousness as you'd think it would be. That's because the local economy had always been depressed; the economic crisis sparked by the stock market crash of 1929 had little impact here because people had so little to lose in the first place. There were no suicides, no hobos, no largescale migration. Haliburton County was poor in the 1920s, it was poor in the 1930s and it was poor until the provincial government started selling off huge waterfront tracts of Crown land to kickstart our cottage economy after the Second World War.

echo **editorial**

martha perkins

To a certain extent, Haliburton County will once again be cushioned from the worst of the financial crisis that's gripping Ontario's manufacturing heartland. We don't have many $25-an-hour jobs to lose. With one of the lowest per capita income levels in the province, Haliburton County is, oddly enough, somewhat protected from huge economic shifts. It's unlikely that should the province enter a recession it will be as bad here as it was in 1991, when the recession was coupled with layoffs of staff at the Ministry of Natural Resources and Ontario Hydro. These government jobs were among the only high-paying jobs in the county. Today, the only people making a comparably high wage are those in health services and education. This September we lost two teachers at the high school because of declining enrolment but, as baby boomers age, demands on our healthcare system will only grow and it's difficult to imagine cuts in that sector.

The biggest impact right now is being felt in the real estate market, which has always been the bellwether of economic shifts. Waterfront properties, which went up most in value over the past five years, will go down most in value. But apart from the potential impact on municipal coffers, the local economy isn't losing real dollars because of declining assessment.

There's no doubt there will be some shrinkage in the local economy as people question and adapt their spending habits but it's also possible that we are in a good position to withstand a downturn. People who were thinking of going on an out-of-country vacation may want to save their money by spending more time at their cottage instead. (The timing of Christmas this year couldn't be better – a four-day weekend will make a trip to the Highlands even more attractive.) Snowbirds who usually spend four or five months in Florida may now, with a low Canadian dollar, reduce their time away.

Recessions can be as much a psychological phenomenon as a financial one. We get so much of our news from the United States that we may forget that our financial institutions are sound and stable. We won't have the debt crisis facing the States because we had regulations to protect us from greed-based decisions. We have to make sure we don't spend more than we make but we don't have to go into panic mode.

As much as we wish we had a more stable economy in the Highlands, one that isn't as dependent on the weather and outside forces, we must also realize that an economy based on natural beauty has its strengths. We're here for the long run.

Morning snow

Photo by Jack Bush

Game shows

tales from **Vinegar Hill**

steve galea

ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO, I added Wild TV to our satellite package. For those unfamiliar with it, this is Canada's only hunting and fishing network. It shows all manner of hunting but it's really focussed on deer, moose, antelope, and elk – the bigger the antlers, the better.

For the most part, the hunters on the network's television shows go to the finest locations on the planet, with the best guides and gear, to bring us this footage.

Most of us will go our whole lives without seeing antlers half as nice as the ones that the hunters on this network routinely dismiss as not good enough. And we'll never have the opportunity to hunt such fine country either, mostly because it's private and exorbitantly expensive.

In short, these hunting shows are to hunting what pornography is to sex – a highly unrealistic depiction with far too many camera angles and poor lighting. I call it hornography.

Don't misunderstand me; there's nothing wrong with watching these shows, as long as you don't confuse this with real life.

Still, every now and then I find myself daydreaming....

There I am in my tree stand, wearing a horno moustache. Suddenly, and from seemingly out of nowhere, this catchy music starts up. This tips me off that something exciting is going to happen.

As the music slows, a buck, a heavy-beamed 12-pointer, steps out into the field.

I whisper to the camera crew, "He's a nice buck for sure, but he's not the one I came here for. We'll let him walk."

My personal narrator then chimes in: "Steve has decided to pass up on that buck of a lifetime – let's hope he made the right decision. We'll see, right after this message."

I immediately look straight into the camera, do a quick commercial for whatever bow I'm using, and then wait patiently – for another thirty seconds.

As expected, the music starts up again. This time, a bigger buck walks on, poses for the camera, and chases off the other deer. I count 243 scorable points on this one. Again, I look to the camera and whisper.

"Golly, that's a big buck folks. I think I'll take him."

I get my laser rangefinder out and do the appropriate infomercial while using it. Then I raise my bow, telling everyone how my shooting immediately improved after buying this particular model.

As the music rises to a crescendo, I take my 32-yard shot and the deer drops in its tracks – I note that it's because of the fine broadhead and arrow combination that I recently switched to, and credit the perfect shot to my new bow sight.

After that I spontaneously yell the obligatory, "Yeah baby! That's what I'm talking about!"

My narrator cuts in with: "Steve sure made a fine shot! That buck is down for the count."

Then my camera crew, narrator and I, get out of the tree stand, which admittedly was a bit crowded, and walk over to the dead deer to immortalize it and our major sponsors on film.

Having calmed down a bit, I thank the lodge and outfitter, plug the location, and say a few more kind words about my sponsors. Then I tell the good folks that next week's show will be even better.

It's usually at this point that I wake up and realize that this is an unrealistic fantasy. This sort of thing is never going to happen to a guy like me. Heck, I could never pass up a twelve pointer...

CANADA'S BEST COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER CIRCULATION 4,000 - 6,499 2007 CCNA AWARDS

THE HALIBURTON COUNTY ECHO
is published by Osprey Media Publishing Inc., a division of
SUN MEDIA
A Quebecor Media Company

146 Highland St., P.O. Box 360,
Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0
PHONE: 705 457-1037 FAX: 705 457-3275
E MAIL: editor@haliburtonecho.ca.
Canada Post #400638862 Copyright 2008

THE ECHO
HALIBURTON COUNTY

David Zilstra, General Manager
Martha Perkins, Managing Editor
Linda Emmerson, Circulation
Laurie Curry, Accounting & Administration
Matt James, Jenn Watt, Chad Ingram, Reporters
Sabrina Sisson, Angela Russell, Reception/Classifieds
Laura Smith, Ashley Chandler, Molly McInerney, Laura Chowzun, Faye Paul, Ad sales
Wanda Factley, Editorial Graphic Designer
Kelly Findlay, Pre-Press Coordinator
Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir

Subscriptions:
Local: $40.00
Ontario: $45.00
National: $60.00
Six month subscriptions available
(Prices incl. GST)

Advertising is accepted on condition that, in the event of an error, the portion of the ad occupied by the error, together with reasonable allowance for signature, will not be charged for, but the balance will be paid at the usual rate. It is the responsibility of the advertiser to check their ads on first publication, and the publisher accepts no responsibility for errors in multiple insertions.
THE ECHO reserves the right to reject or edit any advertisement likely to offend community standards and/or the laws of the land. **All material herein, including advertising design, is copyrighted, and may not be reproduced in any form.**

Submit your letter to the editor by e-mail: editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or by mailing to or dropping by the office at: 146 Highland St., P.O. Box 360, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0, or by faxing to: 705-457-3275
Letters must be signed and include telephone number. Unsigned letters will not be published.
Email must include name and telephone number. Letters may be edited for length and clarity.

The piano

down our **road**

sharon lynch

WHAT DO YOU SAY to someone who is making you a gift of something you don't really want? This was the question circling Amy's brain as she drove up to Aunt Lila's house. Aunt Lila was downsizing in a big way and the piano had to go. It would not fit into her new little apartment. And her arthritis had made it increasingly painful to play so that she had not even touched the keys for the last year.

It had been a lot longer than that since Amy's hands had touched piano keys. In fact it had probably been twenty years and counting. When Amy moved away from home she had left the family piano behind. Although she had once been a committed music student, her pleasure in making the piano sing had been fraught with doubt and anxiety.

Amy had always longed to sit down at the piano and pick out popular songs, maybe a little rock 'n' roll here, a few bars of jazz there. She had seen others do that at parties and in the movies and they made it look so casual, so easy.

But Amy couldn't do that. Despite almost ten years of classical piano lessons, she could play nothing unless she either had the music in front of her or had memorized it. And the piece was always by Mozart, Chopin or Bach. Hardly something to get her friends up dancing. She had carried this secret disappointment, almost a shame, with her for years. And instead of seeking a different kind of teacher or acquiring her own instrument and attempting to learn on her own in the secretive way self-conscious introverts do, she had avoided it altogether.

It got so that she didn't even think of the piano for months on end. Until she heard something on the radio, some melody lilting over the air waves and she found herself loving the sound. Then she felt the loss.

Now Aunt Lila was opening the door to her cavernous house and inviting Amy inside. The front hall and living room were crowded with furniture hunched together and boxes of every size piled on top of each other overflowed into the dining room. As they walked toward the den where the piano had always been, Amy wondered how it was to be someone like her Great Aunt Lila.

Widowed in her early fifties, Lila had gone on to a second career after finally finishing her university degree. The piano had been her gift to herself, bought from money in her husband's estate. "He had never wanted me to do anything that didn't include him," she had once told Amy. "Since he wasn't at all interested in music, I had to wait for my piano. But I knew I'd get it one day." She had made the last statement with a certain degree of satisfaction that had given Amy pause at the time. Suddenly she saw the older woman in a different light. Less a maker of cookies and more a maker of goals.

Now there it stood: an old brown upright that had once been a player piano. Aunt Lila had bought it at an auction and then paid to have it delivered and carried into her den where it had stayed ever since. On the bench was a large pile of sheet music, dog-eared, some pages repaired with yellowing tape. Amy was about to say she didn't think she was the best choice for a new owner when she glanced at the top sheet and saw the word "Ragtime." She hesitated.

At that moment Lila sat down, saying she wanted to show Amy that the old girl was still in pretty good tune. She launched into Moonlight Sonata. "I used to play that," thought Amy wistfully. But before she could get all sentimental Lila was pounding out some Scott Joplin, her elbows bouncing around like ping pong balls. It was happy music, the kind Amy wished she could play.

Then as abruptly as she had begun, Lila stopped and rubbed the knuckles of her left hand with the right. "It's time to pass the torch," she stated looking Amy straight in the eye.

And although she had not planned to do so, Amy found herself saying yes, she'll take the piano and promising to take good care of it. She drove home shaking her head at herself. Where could she put it? Why not the kitchen? It was a huge old room and there was that long wall with the big window overlooking the pond.

She saw herself sitting on the piano bench, hands curved above the keys and music cascading out the window like spray from a fountain, tumbling down to the pond, mixing with the hum of bees and birdsong and wind playing through the tall grass. It would be like when she was twelve years old and spent Sunday afternoons swaying to the music that poured magically from her fingers. "I'll do it!" she decided.

pic of the past

Linda Coneybeare dropped by the Echo office with this photo in order to mark the end of an era. On November 2, her uncle Ray Oliver, right, passed away, 15 years after his twin sister Rosamond Coneybeare. This photo was taken on their mother May Oliver's 99th birthday. A First World War war bride who settled at Halls Lake, she lived to be 103, making her one of the oldest residents of Haliburton County. Our thanks to Linda Coneybeare for this tribute to her mother, uncle and grandfather.

letters to the editor

Take advantage of the power outage

To the Editor:

Anyone fortunate enough to be in the Haliburton Highlands this past Sunday awoke to one of the most beautiful winter landscapes nature has to offer. Yes, there was also an inconvenient hydro outage, but was it?

With no hydro, there was nothing else to do but get outside and breathe in the air that accompanies such a snowy landscape. It always seems fresher, pure, soothing. A feast for the eyes as every tree branch was thickened with varying depths of snow. I never realized how many branches there are until nature showed me, like it always does.

It was definitely a photographer's heaven. I took full advantage of the photo opportunities taking enough pictures to fill an album. Surprisingly, the winter scenery continued throughout most of the day, as even the wind seemed to know timing was everything and remained relatively calm.

So much for the theory that a power outage happens at the most inopportune times!

Arlene Johnston
Haliburton

Too many waiting too long for care

LAURIE SCOTT

MPP Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock

New figures from the Ministry of Health confirm that more than 22,000 Ontarians were waiting for a long-term care bed in February 2008; an increase of 10,000 people since August 2005.

The Central East Local Health Integration Network, which services this riding, indicates that in May of this year the waiting list for long-term care beds was 3,262.

Long-term care residents receive far less personal care than LTC residents in Alberta, Manitoba and New Brunswick. Ontario's nursing home residents receive 2.6 worked hours of personal care, per day. This number is much lower than the 3+ plus worked hours provided by the three other provinces. This gap in care is steadily increasing due to a shortage of staff.

LTC homes are short staffed since they do not have the resources to hire enough front-line staff to provide the level of personal care residents require. As a result, Ontario's dedicated LTC health workers are overworked. The lack of staff means Ontario will continue to lag behind other provinces in the amount of personal care they provide to nursing home residents.

There are more than 400 regulations which govern nursing homes. Consequently, dedicated front-line health workers are preoccupied with measuring the amount of coffee in a LTC resident's cup or labelling toothbrushes instead of delivering quality personal care to residents.

Ontario's Progressive Conservatives say a "plan of action" to enhance long-term care must include:

- A sector-wide staffing increase of 4,500 full-time positions rolled out this year;
- Expediting the redevelopment of Ontario's 35,000 oldest long-term care beds by providing adequate support and funding;
- Achieving an average of three worked hours of personal care, per day within a year;
- Prioritizing the over 400 regulations which govern nursing homes;
- A comprehensive plan with benchmarks to reduce LTC wait lists;
- Addressing inflationary pressures by adequately funding the increased operating costs of LTC homes, so the homes can deliver the housekeeping, laundry, maintenance and other services that enhance resident care.

At the current rate Ontario will not come close to achieving 3 worked hours of personal care, per resident, per day for another three years. As time lapses, Ontario will fall further behind other jurisdictions delivering much higher levels of personal care.

Our older people, their families and their dedicated care givers need Dalton McGuinty to immediately take the necessary steps to enhance long-term care so they can live with the dignity and respect which they deserve.

DODGE CHRYSLER Jeep MOPAR

Keeping Canada on a roll with EMPLOYEE PRICE DISCOUNT* + 0% Financing on select 2008/09 models

For Everyone!

JEEP LIBERTY

DODGE GRAND CARAVAN

CHRYSLER 300C

DODGE RAM 1500 | DODGE AVENGER | JEEP COMPASS | DODGE CHARGER | DODGE RAM 2500 HEAVY DUTY

JEEP WRANGLER | JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE | DODGE DAKOTA | JEEP PATRIOT | DODGE CALIBER

Receive Total Discounts up to $15,211!†

Take advantage of our absolute best offers of the year!

Take a closer look at your favourite model now.

chrysler.ca jeep.ca dodge.ca

DODGE CARAVAN KIDS
PROUD SPONSOR OF MINOR HOCKEY ACROSS CANADA

SIRIUS SATELLITE RADIO
INCLUDES 1 YEAR PREPAID SUBSCRIPTION

VISIT YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD CHRYSLER, JEEP®, DODGE RETAILER

Wise customers read the fine print: *, † These limited time offers apply to retail deliveries of selected new and unused 2008/2009 models purchased between November 1 and December 1, 2008. At participating retailers only. Offers subject to change without notice. See participating retailer for specific pricing details and conditions. * Employee Price Discount offer applies to all new and unused 2008 and 2009 models excluding only 2008/2009 Dodge Sprinter and Challenger and 2009 Dodge Journey models. Employee Price discount offer can be combined with other retail incentives including Consumer Cash, Delivery Allowance and/or subvented purchase financing rates. Excludes CAW negotiated ER Bonus and select targeted bonus cash programs. 0% purchase financing offered on approved credit by Royal Bank of Canada or Scotiabank to qualified retail customers on the purchase of 2009 Dodge Charger, 2009 Chrysler 300 or 300C models for up to 84 months and on the purchase of 2008 Jeep Liberty models for up to 60 months. Some conditions apply. Offer is subject to change without notice. See participating retailer for complete details. † Total discounts include Consumer Cash, Employee Price Discount and other incentives which are deducted from the negotiated prices either before or after taxes. Maximum $15,211 total discount is for 2008 Jeep Grand Cherokee Diesel. See participating retailer for complete details. ™ SIRIUS and the dog logo are trademarks of SIRIUS Satellite Radio Inc. ® Jeep is a registered trademark of Chrysler LLC.

CHRYSLER Jeep DODGE FIVE STAR

Phone scam targets locals with free Internet promise

JENN WATT
Staff Reporter

Dial-up Internet customers Lisa Bird and Terry Hobden managed to avoid falling victim to a phone scam that promised three months of free high-speed connection and an inexpensive modem.

The man on the other end of the phone last Monday said he was from Bell Sympatico and that recent upgrades in the system made the offer possible. All they had to do is give their credit card information.

"It sounded really good," Bird said Wednesday.

"I didn't know what to think."

When Bird wouldn't give her credit card information, he called back later that night to get her husband's. She said Hobden spoke with the man for 40 minutes, all the while being pressured to give his number.

> *"It sounded really good. I didn't know what to think."*
>
> **LISA BIRD**

The couple has call display and when they entered the number into a Google search engine they found many others who had the same experience from the same people.

When the number is called, it reaches an answering machine that says, "I'm just an a—hole who likes to bug the f--- out of people."

Bird called some of her neighbours after the scam and "three out of four said they would have taken up the offer," she said. Representatives from Bell said that while there can be new services or deals offered over the phone, they will never ask for your credit card in order for you to access them. "One of the biggest flags is ... to add a new service onto your account we don't require a credit card, because obviously we have a billing relationship with customers," said Bell communications director Peter Farmer.

"The only time we collect credit card information would be if the customer is setting up a pre-authorized payment on [her] bill and that's got to be at the request of the customer," he said.

This isn't the first time people have posed as Bell representatives to trick residents into giving out credit card information, but Farmer had not heard of this particular scam. He has since reported the number to internal security at Bell.

"The person should be able to give their name and employee number, number 1, and second, there should be a means to be able to call back at 310-BELL or somewhere else to get this offer. They should be able to call back at a standard Bell number at a call centre to be able to get the offer," said Jim Neubauer, general manager for Bell Aliant in Eastern Ontario.

"They should also watch for what may be there on name or number display and write that down, especially if they wanted to complain to the police," he said.

Anyone reporting a phone scam to the OPP is directed to Phone Busters, the only program of its kind in North America, run by the RCMP.

Information on Internet, mail and phone scams as well as identity fraud are channelled through Phone Busters, which has relationships with intelligence agencies internationally and law enforcement groups throughout Canada. When someone calls in with information on a phone scam, Phone Busters enters it into a huge database that is then shared with other law enforcement officers, Corporal Louis Robertson, head of criminal intelligence at Phone Busters, said.

"We've got a vast amount of information that we relay to our Canadian law enforcement partners, U.S. law enforcement partners and foreign law enforcement partners," Robertson said.

"We have approximately 145,000 people that are calling us on a yearly basis and it's only 40 to 45 per cent of phone calls that we can get.

"We receive approximately 40,000 emails every month," he said. It is no longer solely phone scams anymore, but "mass marketing fraud" that includes the Internet and email. "Bad guys can use the Internet or use the phone, but unfortunately they are not physically in Canada, they are elsewhere and that's my job, to go after them and find out where they are and to flush them out," he said.

According to RCMP statistics, there have been 4,860 Canadian victims of mass marketing fraud since January 1 of this year accounting for a loss of more than $18 million.

If you suspect you have been the target of a phone, Internet, mail or email scam call Phone Busters at 1-888-495-8501 or online at www.phonebusters.com.

How to avoid falling victim to mass marketing fraud

How to recognize a scam

- The offer sounds too good to be true
- You must pay to play
- You must give private financial information
- They ask for you to send cash instead of cheque or credit card
- The caller is more excited than you are
- You have to make a decision on the offer immediately
- The caller tries to become your best friend

How to protect yourself

- Be cautious. You have the right to check out any caller by requesting written information, a call-back number, references and time to think over the offer.
- If you have doubts about the caller, the best thing to do is hang up. It's not rude – it's smart.

Information provided by Phone Busters

COOK
PRE-APPRENTICESHIP
TRAINING

January 12th - June 19th 2009

Fleming College
Haliburton Campus

Important Dates

Registration Starts
October 15, 2008

In-School Training
January 12, 2009 - April 24, 2009

Work Placement
April 27, 2009 - June 19, 2009

Training Includes:
Level 1 Cook Apprenticeship Training
Academic Upgrading
Employment Skills Training
Safety Training
8-week Work Placement

Participant Requirements:
Minimum of 16 years of age
OSSD (Grade 12 - transcripts required)

Costs:
This program free to eligible participants
Work Placement will be paid

This Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program is funded by the Government of Ontario
www.flemingcollege.com

REGISTRATIONS BEING ACCEPTED NOW

Space is limited to 16 Participants

Registration:
In Person at the College

Information:
Phone: 705-457-1680

Fleming College
Experience • Success

Money main impediment to girls' hockey league

MATT JAMES
Staff Reporter

Last week the *Echo* investigated the possibility of the Red Hawks girls' hockey team becoming a competitive member of the high school Kawartha league.

And while the idea might not be achievable today, the girls of tomorrow could play a major role in taking girls hockey to the next step.

Helen Lynett is a teacher at Holy Cross Secondary School and the Kawartha league convener of girls' hockey.

For more than 15 years there's been a successful girls' hockey league in the Kawartha high school system and, as far as Lynett can remember, the league hasn't missed a year due to lack of participation.

Today the Kawartha girls' hockey league consists of approximately 15 teams — seven triple A and six double A — and she anticipates two more double A teams joining. At no time has Haliburton entered a team.

"Ten years ago there were 200 girls playing hockey in Peterborough," said Lynett. "Now there's probably 800 to a 1,000."

As for Haliburton not having a team in the Kawartha league, Lynett feels it's the school's choice.

"I think it has more to do with them not being competitive enough," she said.

HHSS principal Gary Brohman agrees, but says money is the main impediment to joining the league.

"It's tough for us," said Brohman. "It's just a straight cost factor – the cost of ice for practice time to be competitive."

What? "Haliburton" and "not competitive" used in the same sentence?

That doesn't sound right. Brohman doesn't like the sound of it either.

"I hate saying that our girls don't have enough talent," said Brohman. "But we've found when we go to tournaments it's pretty competitive for our girls."

Brohman is alluding to the fact that the girls in Haliburton County don't have access to the skills development training that girls in cities such as Peterborough do.

For the past four years, high school girls' hockey has existed at HHSS, but only in exhibition and tournament play.

And while the girls enjoy playing in the tournaments, their coach Bruce Griffith says they struggle.

"Even in the tournaments we played last year, the scores were like 25-0," said Griffith. "After a while the girls don't find that fun."

Brohman believes the success of girl's hockey parallels the type of minor hockey being played in town.

"If there's a wonderful girls minor hockey system in town like there is in cities like Peterborough, then that gives the girls the skills to play the level of competitiveness. You must have a minor hockey system that's built in your community."

Brohman feels if girls' hockey grows in the community then a girls' hockey team in the Kawartha league would be more viable.

Getting in the way of that is declining enrolment.

"It's hard starting up a new sport," said Brohman.

"As soon as you open up a new sport it may take away from another sport, which is hard with declining enrolment."

Next week the Echo investigates girls' minor hockey in the county.

MATT JAMES/Echo

HHSS student Samantha Tallman feeds passes to potential teammates at the Dysart arena last week. The high school could see a team in the Kawartha league a few years down the road.

Boys' football appeal denied by OFSAA

MATT JAMES
Staff Reporter

The Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) denied an appeal from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School after two students were deemed ineligible to participate in a football playoff game on October 24.

The decision was delivered to HHSS on November 11, following a November 7 conference call which allowed all parties to argue their case.

"Nothing is going to change," said HHSS athletics director Ron Yake.

The two students, John and Grant Ellis, played nearly the entire 2008 regular season with Haliburton's senior boys' football team but the boys were forced to the sidelines just four days before the semi-final because of a last-minute appeal filed by the athletics department of Bancroft's North Hastings High School (NHHS).

Bancroft said that the brothers shouldn't be allowed to play for the Red Hawks because it contravened provincial rules. OFSAA regulations say that after a student transfers schools, he is not allowed to play a sport he played at his previous school for twelve months. Many believe the rule was created to prevent students within the Greater Toronto Area from switching schools in order to create powerhouse teams.

Both brothers had played with the Bancroft football team in the 2007 school year.

The appeal was taken to the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics (COSSA) Transfer Committee, which sided with Bancroft.

Haliburton appealed the transfer committee's decision to no avail.

Brian Poste is working on a document that he hopes will prevent the same situation from happening again.

"I'm trying to draft a motion to put forward to the transfer committee to see if they will change [the rules]," says the chair of the transfer committee and Bancroft's representative on COSSA.

While he wasn't part of the hearings involving the Ellis brothers, stating a conflict of interest, he would like to see the rules updated.

Before the boys formally moved schools in mid-September, Grant had already begun playing junior football and John was with the seniors. Around the same time as the transfer, the senior boys' football team folded in Bancroft.

Poste says, "If a program folds, an athlete cannot transfer to another school and play. There has to be another reason for transfer."

But is the transferring of students for athletics as big a problem in rural areas as it is in more urban areas? Poste doesn't think so.

"With smaller schools, rural schools, such as our own and declining enrolment across Ontario, I think that rule has to be looked at," said Poste. However, he recognizes that everyone has to follow the same rules.

Doug Gellatly is the executive director of OFSAA and handles transfers and eligibility. He isn't opposed to Poste's idea, or any idea for that matter.

"The policy does evolve, there's always changes," said Gellatly. "We meet every April when we make changes to our bylaws and our policies. There are always motions that come forward to deal with changes.

"It is a democratic process. The policy is there, it is approved and changed by representatives from across the province, so if Brian wants to put a motion forward, absolutely it would be considered."

John Ellis says there were more reasons behind their transfer than just football, and that's why they are upset. They didn't switch schools immediately because they didn't realize that option was open when they moved to Cardiff in August. It wasn't until his parents had a chance conversation with neighbours that they learned they could go to HHSS if they wanted. "If we had known, we would have started school at Haliburton."

That weekend, in early to mid-September, John and the family discussed changing schools. They decided to make the switch and, as the boys filled out the necessary paperwork at HHSS, they received permission to play football right away.

"We filled out the forms [and] started practising," said John. "We were told by Haliburton it's just a rubber stamp, you just play right off the bat, but obviously that wasn't the case."

Poste says the boys were ineligible because they'd already started school and sports at NHHS, which is against OFSAA rules.

As to drafting rules to prevent team stacking, Gellatly says there is a misconception. "[The rule is] always is perceived to be put in place because of what was going on in the cities, but that simply isn't the case."

When asked if he felt the rule was still necessary in rural settings he said, "Yes, I think it is. It has to be implemented provincewide. If we're going to be the provincial body for high school athletics, as OFSAA, running provincial championships, then all students have to be eligible under the same rules."

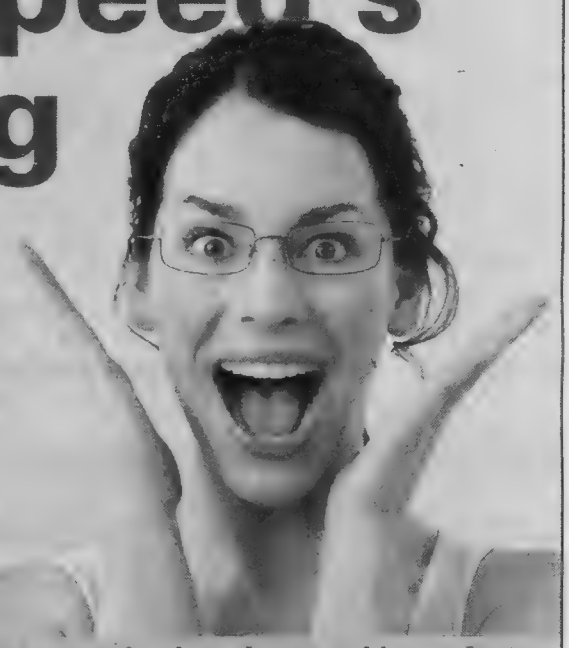
Poste hopes his motion, perfect wording and all, will make a difference.

He says, "This is not an unknown issue. When they showed up at Haliburton they should have been informed this probably isn't going to work."

As a COSSA executive Poste says each year he hears the "I didn't know" reason, which is always alarming.

"We have concerns," says Poste, "so what we're going to do as an executive is try to again to be a little more diligent in our education."

Finally!
High-speed's coming to my house.



share, email, upload, surf, bank, swap, search, shop, browse, blog... faster

XPLORNET HIGH-SPEED INTERNET
Ready when you are. Where you are.

Are you still hoping that someday a big-city Internet provider will bring high-speed to your house? Forget 'someday'. You could be enjoying fast, affordable access to everything the Internet has to offer, right now, with Xplornet.

SPECIAL OFFER
High-Speed Internet
Starting from $49.99 month[1]
Basic Installation only $99 with 3-year contract[2]
Plus Satellite Equipment only $199

Ask your local dealer about getting Xplornet high-speed today.

John Fountain Electronics (705) 286-2536
Avery Audio (705) 766-2422
Halco Electronics The Source by Circuit City (705) 457-1590

XPLORNET INTERNET SERVICES
xplornet.com | 1.866.841.6001

[1] $49.99/month price refers to a 3 year, KaZam or Basic Lite package. When you sign a 3/2/1 year contract, a $99 one-time system access fee will appear on your first invoice; no contract option, the system access fee is $299. Annual $75 Radio Spectrum License Fee only applies to the Ku service. [2] Offer expires December 31st, 2008. If installation requirements go beyond the scope of a Basic Installation, additional fees may apply. [3] Offer expires December 31st, 2008. Regular equipment fee $399 less $200 instant rebate at point of sale. $199 equipment fee applies to 67cm or 74cm or 98cm dish.
For complete details of Xplornet's 30-day money-back guarantee and Basic Installation, please visit www.xplornet.com. GST/HST will apply. Dealer may sell for less.

Duchene and Hodgson on winning streak

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

When this article was started, Cody Hodgson, Matt Duchene, and the Brampton Battalion were cruising to an 11-game winning streak. Today that streak stands at 14 and with one more win, the club's record will be broken.

The last time Brampton Battalion lost a hockey game was October 11 and their record was a meager 2-6-0-0. Today the team is 16-6-0-0 and in recent telephone interviews the two Haliburton-born teens said that all is good in the concrete jungle.

"We've gone on a little bit of a roll here," said Hodgson. "We've having fun and we're working hard as a team."

"Everyone is playing their part, everyone is playing their role and we're having success with it," said Duchene.

After Hodgson signed a lucrative entry-level contract with the National Hockey League's Vancouver Canucks, both fans and the hockey world were looking forward to his début as a Canuck, no one more excited than Hodgson himself.

However, Vancouver sent him back the very next day to Brampton. No regular season play, not even the rest of pre-season. They wanted to lock him up and get him playing with his OHL club. And while he's not with the big club, Hodgson's happy doing what he does best.

"I'm over it and making the best of my situation," said Hodgson.

He certainly is – the 18-year-old has 14 goals and 27 points in 15 games.

His friend and 17-year-old teammate certainly isn't hurting his draft-year campaign either. In 22 games Duchene has 12 goals and 19 assists for a team-leading 31 points. And while the two are having individual success they both say their motivation is to do what they can to help their team win.

"We have a good core of guys," said Hodgson.

The Battalion is playing a defence-first style of hockey.

"Everyone's committed to it basically," said Duchene.

The 14-game winning streak ties a club record, recorded by the Troops in the 2005-06 season, and also takes the top streak in the OHL so far this season, outshining a 13-game streak strung together by the Windsor Spitfires in October and November.

So what does it take to win 14 games in a row? Hard work, dedication, progression, leadership help, but so does a little NHL experience.

"I think maturity is the key to being a good hockey player," said Duchene. "If you're constantly taking maturity steps on the ice, learning what works, then you're going to play real well."

See **Pair** *page 13*

visit our website
www.haliburtonecho.ca
and post an upcoming event listing for FREE

REAL ESTATE UPDATE

WHERE ARE THE BARGAINS?

QUESTION: How can you find a bargain home today?

ANSWER: It happens. As you drive up to it, perhaps you see an old pickup truck in the driveway, the shaggy lawn, rusted toys on the front walk, soggy newspapers under the shrubs and a torn screen door. A disaster? No, a possible opportunity!

When you locate such a house, if it has had decent maintenance (as opposed to poor housekeeping), then you may have stumbled upon a bargain. Tenant-occupied houses sometimes fall into this category. Most buyers cannot see past sloppiness. The above house may eventually sell for below its true market value.

SOME HOMES are far more valuable than their upkeep makes them look. "A diamond in the rough."

****

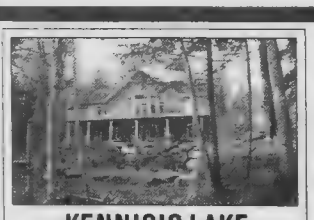
RE/MAX
Haliburton Realty Ltd., Brokerage
Linda Baumgartner & Troy Austen
Broker & Sales Representative
Bus: (705) 457-1011 ext. 231
E-mail linda-troy@bellnet.ca
Web. www.haliburtonrealestate.on.ca

REAL ESTATE

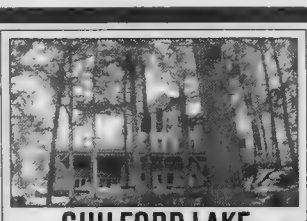
RE/MAX
Haliburton Highlands Realty Ltd., Brokerage
Independently Owned & Operated

Call 455-SOLD (7653)
for your real estate needs
or visit us at
Email: linda-troy@bellnet.ca
www.haliburtonrealestate.on.ca

Linda & Troy
Baumgartner Austen
Broker & Sales Representative
Proudly serving Haliburton and surrounding area
(705) 457-1011 ext. 231



KENNISIS LAKE
Located on the prestigious West Shore, luxury custom built 5 bdrm home/cottage. Open concept, fieldstone fireplace, cathedral ceilings, pine custom cabinetry in kitchen, tastefully decorated. Full finished bsmt, double garage, 225' of shoreline. PRIVATE!!
$949,900



GUILFORD LAKE
Executive waterfront home/cottage. Five bedrooms, 3 baths, open concept, pine cathedral ceilings, screened porch, full finished basement. 299' frontage & 1.45 acres. Totally private & situated on a tranquil lake.
$669,000

HALLS LAKE
Custom built 2 storey waterfront home/cottage. Four bedrooms, 2 baths, dble attached garage. Cathedral ceilings, double sided stone fireplace. Pine kitchen accented with fir beams. Level lot with gorgeous sand beach & 160' frontage.
$599,000

GULL LAKE
Stunning waterfront home/cottage. 257' frontage and 2.36 acres. Open concept 2 bedroom, 2 bath, maple floor with cherry finish. Full basement, wrap around decks with breath-taking views. Seller will consider a waterfront trade.
$569,900

WEST LAKE
Immaculate 3 bdrm backsplit waterfront home/cottage. Point lot with 259' frontage, great shoreline & beautiful grounds. Vaulted ceilings, pine interior, "Lindal" sunroom, full bsmt, 2 baths, double grg, carport & so much more!
$455,900

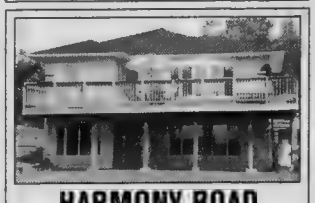
DRAG LAKE
Traditional cottage on a private lot with 173' fr. Sand shoreline, great view, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths. A must see!
$449,900

DRAG LAKE
Enjoy the spectacular view from this lovely cottage. Boasts loads of character, large picture windows, pine ceilings, hardwood & slate floors, expansive wrap around deck, deep clean shoreline.
$399,900

SOYERS LAKE
Year round waterfront home/cottage. Newly renovated and tastefully decorated. Four bedrooms, fully finished basement, pine cathedral ceilings, large deck, sunroom, separate bunkie & double detached garage. 170' frontage.
$384,000

HALIBURTON HOME
The stone house everyone has admired! Attractive 3+1 bdrm home, tastefully decorated & totally renovated. Slate floors, custom kitchen, formal dining room, stone fireplace, double garage plus sep 16'x32' garage. Level lot, close to town, beautiful gardens.
$379,000

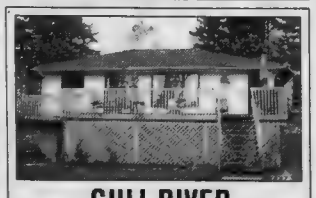
COLEMAN LAKE
Two bedroom cottage boasts loads of character. Woody ambiance, loft, 4 pc. bath, bunkie/games room. Clean shoreline, year round road.
$259,000



HARMONY ROAD
2+2 bedroom home, two 4-piece baths, full basement, separately metered for granny flat. 1 laundry up, 1 down. Double garage, view of Head Lake.
$239,900

WILBERMERE LAKE
This waterfront home or cottage is situated in a pretty subdivision with sand frontage on the lake. Large sunken living room, galley kitchen, ash flooring. Full basement and double detached garage with granny flat.
$239,900

MINDEN HOME
Immaculate well built home on level lot. 2+2 bdrms, 2 baths, hardwood floors, vaulted ceilings, large picture windows, sunroom, full finished bsmt. Private backyard, lovely gardens, paved driveway and single car garage. Won't last at:
$219,000



GULL RIVER
Four bedroom, 2 bath, riverfront home. Situated close to the town of Minden. Knotty pine living room, walkout to deck, new kitchen, full walkout basement with family room. Nice level lot, boat to Gull Lake.
$185,000

GULL RIVER
Three bedroom bungalow situated on a level riverfront lot. Boat to 3 lakes. Full basement, FAE heat & woodstove. Aluminum siding, shingled roof, upgraded windows. Very pretty piece of property.
$164,900

MOUNTAIN STREET
Nice, bright, 2 bedroom home on a sunny level lot. Close to town. Newly renovated & decorated. Main floor laundry, sunroom, garage.
$163,000

VICTORIA STREET
2+1 bdrm home, laminate flooring, large living room & rec room, full basement, 2 baths, level lot, garage, town sewers, drilled well.
$149,500

HALIBURTON HOME
Newly renovated 3 bedroom home situated close to the town of Haliburton. Nice, bright & clean. Laminate flooring throughout, pine kitchen, sunroom & gazebo. Great starter or retirement home.
$129,900

Pair revel in busy schedule

from page 12

It is part of the reason Duchene is confident about his game right now: he's focussed and he's looking forward to the second half of the season, traditionally a good time for him.

For Hodgson, his NHL experience — rookie camp, rookie games, main camp, playing with Roberto Luongo, pre-season tilts — has helped keep the streak alive.

"It's just a whole new level – the speed and intensity and the strength of the guys up there," Hodgson said of the NHL play. "You have to be really sharp as well."

While OHL road trips aren't quite NHL length, a stretch of three straight away games makes those wins not easy to come by.

"Getting a road win in a place like Sudbury or Barrie where it's tough to win, it's nice," said Duchene. "The road wins tend to be the hardest to get, but you try to play the same game as you would at home."

Duchene says there are other distractions, including the unwelcoming response of your opponents' hometown fans and unfamiliar surroundings.

"The best teams are usually the best road teams," said Duchene.

The November 14 win in Guelph was road win number six in a row.

Duchene and Hodgson have another streak they're growing fond of: the honour of playing hockey for Team Canada. Their next chance to prove themselves is the upcoming ADT Canada-Russia Challenge.

To get on the team the boys were up against players from not only their own league but also the Western and Quebec Major Junior Hockey League.

"Those games are always fun to play in," said Hodgson. "And it's the first step to that world junior team hopefully."

It's a busy schedule, but one they revel in. The week begins with game one against Russia on November 20 in Guelph. Then, with the Battalion, the boys travel to Ottawa for a game against the 67s on November 21. Then it's back to Brampton to host Sudbury on November 23. The following day they'll face Russia in game two of the ADT Challenge in St. Catharines.

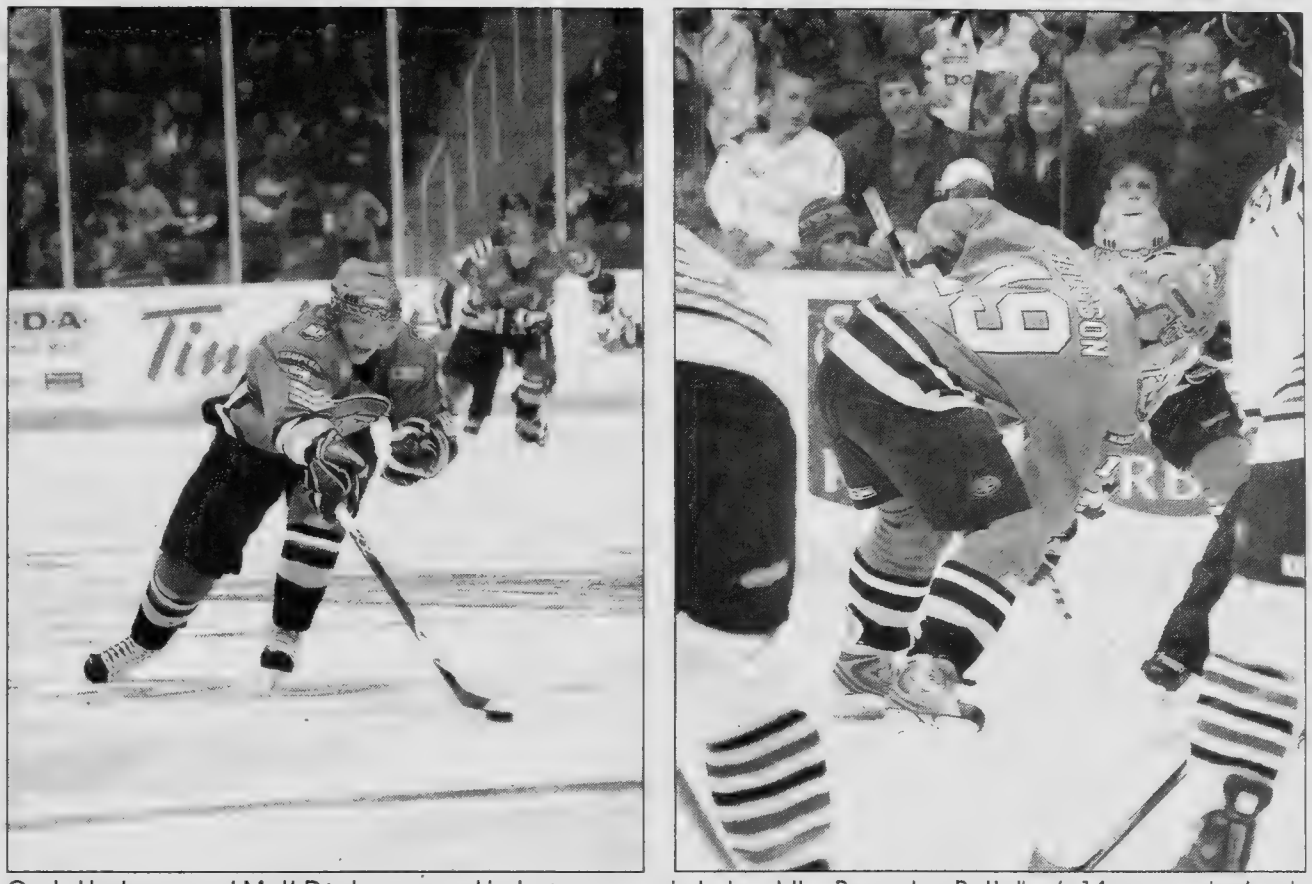
"I'm really looking forward to it. It's going to be an awesome experience," said Duchene. "It's going to give me a chance to see what it might be like to play on a World Junior team."

It's also step one of a three-step program.

Step two is to get invited to World Junior winter camp and step three is to make the team.

But the boys are going to take it one streak at a time. About the one they've got going —well, we won't go there.

Or, as Duchene says, you have to "respect the streak."



Cody Hodgson and Matt Duchene need just one more win to beat the Brampton Battalion's 14-game win streak. They'll have to do that while also playing on Team Canada for this week's Canada Russia Challenge. File photos by Matt James

First nordic ski club meeting upcoming

Sunday's snowfall has put a little bounce in the steps of cross country ski enthusiasts who are anxious for a new season to start.

The first club meeting for the Haliburton Highlands Cross Country Ski Club is Saturday, Nov. 29 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the Glebe Park Clubhouse. The agenda will include renewing memberships, photo ID for new members, equipment rental program (info/returns only), ski swap, Jackrabbit registration, and a trail walk with clippers and tools. They are also serving refreshments and will also be on hand to offer help and advice for new members.

If you need any more information, email joleenthomas@hotmail.com.

Advertise in the Echo
call 457-1037

Has Adoption Touched Your Life?

visit www.ontario.ca/adoptioninfo

If you were involved in an adoption in Ontario, you need to know about an important change to your information and privacy rights.

Effective June 1, 2009, Ontario adoption records will be opened. This means adopted adults and birth parents will be given access to identifying information from birth records and adoption orders.

If the adoption order was made before September 1, 2008, adopted adults and birth parents can file a disclosure veto to prevent the release of the information.

If you want your identifying information to be kept private, **you should file a disclosure veto before June 1, 2009.**

No contact notices are also available.

To learn more about your rights to information and privacy regarding adoption, **visit www.ontario.ca/adoptioninfo or call 1-800-461-2156 (TTY 416-325-3408).**

Paid for by the Government of Ontario.

Ontario

Spiel hosts 30 teams from across Ontario

WENDY VERMEERSCH
Special to the Echo

Friday and Saturday, November 14 and 15, the fourth annual Build the House was held at the Haliburton Curling Club with 30 teams, some from Burlington, Uxbridge, Toronto and Milton.

The overall winners and 4th draw winners for the two-day spiel was the team of Del Watson, Marilyn Watson, Al Aubry and Wendy Aubry.

The first draw winner was Don Curry's team of Pat Norman, Barry Willhelm and Ernie Ross.

The second draw winner was the team skipped by Ken Wilson with Len Salvatori, Doug and Marilyn Wagg.

Third draw winner was Bob MacNaull's team with Ann MacNaull, Wanda Robinson and Gerry Robinson.

Over 30 raffle prizes were donated to the club and the winners were Bill Vermeersch, Wanda Robinson, Al Aubry, Peter Jennings, Jack Cox, Glen Smith, Rhonda Elstone, Marg Dart, Steve Todd, Jan Ashall, Marion Tyrrell, Ron MacKenzie, Marla MacNaull, Luba Glachan, Judy Skinner, Ralph Young, Donna Smith, Carla Watson, Anne Nickson, Brodi Giddings, Wayne McIlmoyl, Dave Moss, Beth Tuck, Ann Harris, and Don Wetmore.

Much planning and preparation takes place for a bonspiel of this size, so thanks go to the following people: Bob and Ann MacNaull with Bev and Bruce Martin for the organization of the event; Phyllis Woodcock and Gerald Taylor as the spiel registrars; all the donors of the raffle prizes; bartenders Luba and John Glachan, Dave Moss, Doug Wagg and Wilf Guenette; club cleaners Tim Nicholls and Wilf Guenette.. On lunch duty was Cheryl Smillie with Mary Lou Waggett, June Beadle, and Mary Ann Hodgins. An excellent Saturday night roast beef dinner was catered by Janet Tice.

John Watson our main ice maker had assistance from Doug Wagg, Bobby Johnston and Terry Roach.

Curling prizes were donated by Colio Wine Estates and Todd's Independent. Thanks to Bev and Bruce for bringing back the six ducks for the ever popular Ducky races.

New season

The curling season is off and running for another year and it is super to see all the new players who joined the club this year. A clinic for new curlers was held on Saturday October 18 with great success. They are enjoying the game with their new-found skills.

The overall winners of the Haliburton Curling Club's Build the House were, from left, Al Aubry, Wendy Aubry, Marilyn Watson and Del Watson.

Coaching course

We had three members, John Smillie, Mary Lou Waggett and Marilyn Whittaker travel to Huntsville for a two-day coaching course which is a huge asset to our club for new members in the future. They will also be able to instruct current members on new team positions and skills.

Champagne bonspiel

Sandra Anderson and her committee of Luba Glachan, Cathy Moss, Barb Foote, Irene Houtby, Ruth Hunt and Ariel Campbell hosted the Champagne Bonspiel on Nov 2 with great success. An anxious early rising group of curlers showed up to curl on Sunday morning, although they did get an extra hour of sleep as the clock went back an hour on that Saturday night. Refreshments were served prior to hitting the ice, and then the curlers made their way to their perspective ice sheets. Upon finishing their games they were greeted with a very delicious brunch, which was enjoyed by all. The winning team was skipped by Beryl Rasmus, with Willie Cox, Jack Jackson and Bryan Hartung. A special thanks to all the girls who helped with shopping and preparing the meal. It was a good morning and next year, when you see the sign up sheet, be sure to join in for the fun.

4-Town Senior Men

November 5 we had two Haliburton teams curl in the 4-Town Senior Men's Spiel in Bobcaygeon. One team was skipped by Ed Pickard with team members Gary Thorpe, Chester Howse and Bill Vermeersch.The other team skipped by Ron Bar had Peter Montgomery, Robert McIvor and Rick Ashall. Neither team was in the prizes but they enjoyed the two games of curling.

Senior mixed interclub

The curling club was very busy November 12 with the Senior Mixed Interclub Bonspiel. Teams from the Minden Curling Club travelled to Haliburton for the annual event. Sixteen teams participated in the bonspiel and we look forward to the competition, camaraderie and friendship to continue when we meet at the Minden Curling Club on January 13.

The 1st draw resulted in two Haliburton teams tied for first place with 22.25 points. The tie-breaking rules gave Dave Connell first place. The "three chicks with sticks" skipped by Sandra Duchemin took second place. Ted Wilkes from Minden took third place with 17 points. Ted Wilkes and Dave Connell didn't disappoint anyone watching their game. Two great skips provided the audience the opportunity to observe curling strategy and skill come together. They put on a great show. Dave Connell's winning team had Jim Walters as the Vice, Second was Dick Duchemin and lead was Carolyn Bebee.

The second draw provided some stiff competition and in the end Marie Lennard from Minden came in first with the top score of the day, 22.75 points. In second was Lou Sedore from Haliburton with 21.5 points. In third place with two new curlers was Jack Cox from Haliburton with 15.75 points. The teams in the second draw were very close. In second place was Haliburton team skipped by Lou Sedore with Vice Elda Sedore, second Joe Sheridan, and Lead Mary Ellen Sheridan. Third place team was Skip Jack Cox, vice Joan Eyers, Second Neil Oke and lead Larry Dart. Total points for the day were: Haliburton 125.75, Minden 96.25. Thanks to the ladies who served a delicious lunch: Bev. Martin, Phyllis Woodcock, Shirley Howse, Pat Norman, Barbara Parish and Holly Parish.

PADERNO
Fall Factory Sale
NOV 19-23 ONLY — SAVINGS UP TO 73%
Save $549!
12pc Confederation set. Includes 3 covered saucepans: 1.5L, 2L and 3L. 1.5 steamer 5L covered dutch oven, 24cm/10" frying pan and 4L covered casserole ~~$799.00~~
$249.99
All Paderno open stock cookware 40% OFF
Up to 47% OFF! 1.4L, 2.8L, 4.7L or 7.5L stainless mixing bowls. Lists to ~~$25.99~~. Starting at $4.99
69% OFF! 10L Dutch Oven with lid. ~~$289.00~~. $89.99
69% OFF! 20cm/8" non-stick Platinum frypan. ~~$79.99~~. $24.99
40% OFF! 10 inch stir fry wok. ~~$24.99~~. $14.99
54% OFF! 28cm/11" stainless steel, non-stick Everyday pan. ~~$149.99~~. $69.99
Up to 50% OFF! Selection of non-stick bakeware. Starting at $6.50
70% OFF! Super-size 42cm stainless roaster w/rack. ~~$359.99~~. $109.99
AT THESE SALE LOCATIONS
HALIBURTON
Kitchens Etcetera
183 Highland St
(705) 457-3535
PADERNO
Information & dealers: 1-800-A-NEW-POT or www.paderno.com. Not all locations open Sunday. Quantities limited, please be early. Sale items may not be exactly as shown.

Samantha Miller-Gerrard in a moment of silence.

Darick Reid holds the end of a string where senior kindergarten student Skye Lambshead hangs a dove of peace.

MATT JAMES/Echo

Members of the Haliburton Royal Canadian Legion colour party stand at attention during the service.

Stuart Baker remembers

Stuart Baker Elementary School held its Remembrance Day service on November 11 inside the school gymnasium. Students welcomed members of the Haliburton Legion and parents for the singing of O Canada and reading of poems. The placing of the wreath was followed with a moment of silence and the placing of the doves of peace to conclude the ceremony.

Haliburton County Home Builders Association

13th Annual Christmas Toy & Food Drive

November 17 to December 13/08

Drop Off Locations:

LCBO & Home Hardware - Minden; Moose Studios - Haliburton; Stedmans V&S - Haliburton; Trails & Tours office - Carnarvon; Cordell's - Haliburton; Haliburton Echo - Haliburton.

Thanks to the fifty plus companies who collected gifts during the toy drive last year these gifts and many more were delivered throughout the county.

- ☐ Toy or Food Drive Sponsor / Donor: Collect at your company, school or organization
- ☐ Toy or Food Drive: Drop off location; public to drop location
- ☐ Monetary Donor: Collect at your company, school or organization.

NAME

ADDRESS

PHONE CONTACT PERSON

FAX: 705-457-3436 OR MAIL THIS FORM TO:
H.C.H.B.A., Box 299, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0
Or email: atose@hchba.ca to arrange pick up of items.

CALL 457-2629 **CALL 457-2629**

ECHO *Proud supporters of Haliburton County.*

MINDEN SUBARU

SUBARU holiday wishlist event

Get into an Impreza and get to your wishlist early.

$500** towards your 1ST PAYMENT
PLUS
$500** SUBARU GIFT CARD

Introducing the 2009 Subaru Impreza 2.5i

- Subaru symmetrical full-time All-Wheel Drive, now with Variable Torque Distribution (VTD)
- 2.5L 170 hp horizontally-opposed SUBARU BOXER engine
- 4-channel Anti-Lock Brakes (ABS)
- 6 standard airbags

SUPERIOR JAPANESE ENGINEERING PRICE $20,995*

LEASE PAYMENT FOR 24 MONTHS $268* $2000 DOWN FREIGHT, PDI & TAXES EXTRA

2.9%* LEASE APR

See Dealer for Details

Test Drive one Today

13061 Hwy 35—Just North of Minden
705-286-6126

Get library moving, councillor says

JENN WATT
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Highlands East council November 10.

Councillor Gary Stoughton said he was frustrated at how long it was taking to move the library out of its current location to the community-policing portion of the medical centre. "Every time we make a suggestion ... we never do it," Stoughton said.

The plan is to have the OPP officers use the fire hall when they are in town and for the library to take up their space in the building. The proposal has been publicly discussed for about a year. CAO Sharon Stoughton-Craig said she wanted to discuss the move with the OPP before they went any further. "I don't want to get in the same situation we did with the medical centre," she said.

"We need to get their input," Councillor Suzanne Partridge agreed. Medical staff and doctors were not informed of council's discussions on evicting them from the location until after the decision was made.

Animal waste prohibited at landfill

The bylaw to prohibit "unauthorized disposal of waste" was passed by council.

Among the items illegal to drop off at the landfill are animal or human excrement or urine. Partridge questioned where people are supposed to take their kitty litter or dog poop, but no one had a ready answer. The environment and property supervisor was not available for comment.

Ambulance location still uncertain

It is still unclear where the ambulance will be stationed in Highlands East. Fire chief Bill Wingrove said a bay is being constructed for the vehicle, but may not be done this winter. There is, however, an empty bay available at the Wilberforce fire hall until January. EMS director Pat Kennedy "knew the engineer wanted to see the footings [on the fire hall] and was worried it might take quite a while," Wingrove said. In his report, Wingrove said Kennedy would let the EMS crews roam with their vehicles and that services for the area would not be affected. Kennedy could not be reached by press time for comment.

County animal shelter requested

Widespread animal control problems across Haliburton County warrant a countywide animal shelter, council said.

A motion was passed to bring the proposal to county council for discussion. "I think it's a countywide problem, so why isn't the county looking at it?" Deputy-reeve Jim Mackie asked.

Highlands East has had major problems with stray cats over the past year and the dog pound where the cats were previously taken won't accept them anymore.

Partridge said a trap-neuter-return program like the one being developed in Minden Hills should be considered.

Council also gave early approval of a draft motion to provide a canine control officer to five bordering municipalities.

Ice rink for Gooderham proposed

The environmental and property supervisor will look into safety concerns around a community-led project to turn the Gooderham basketball courts into an ice rink for the winter. Funds have been raised and free labour offered to the village's community action group, said a letter from representatives Jennifer Horner and Jason Boylan.

Lights out in park

JENN WATT
Staff Reporter

Walking at night through Head Lake park can be treacherous; for the past few weeks at least more than 10 of the park's lights have been out.

Lit almost entirely by the floodlights on the side of the Rails End Gallery, there is no way to know what the path conditions are like or whether there's someone ahead of you. With darkness coming earlier as December approaches, the typical after-dinner walk can keep people out of the park altogether. Dysart et al operations manager, Miles Maughan, said not replacing the bulbs was just an oversight.

They get replaced "whenever I check them and see that there's enough to have the contractor come in and change them," Maughan said in an interview with the *Echo*. That usually means two or more are out.

"I knew that there were two that were broken. I didn't know there were 10," he said. The lights in the park are common targets of vandalism, Maughan said. The municipality waits for a few lights to be out before calling the contractor because he has to come with a bucket truck to change them. Maughan said members of the public can report streetlights or park lights out by contacting Lynn Kay at the Dysart et al municipal office. He said he will get the park lights replaced in the next couple of weeks.

HALIBURTON HEARING SERVICE
Due to the huge interest
Haliburton/Minden Hearing Service
Will again host the Ontario Representative of
SIEMENS
Hearing Instruments
Wednesday November 26th 10AM – 3PM
Minden Office, 41 Bobcaygeon Rd.
To our many Siemens Hearing Aids Customers, this will be an opportunity to have your Siemens Hearing Aids checked and to see the latest in new products from one of the world's leading innovators of hearing aids.
PLEASE CALL FOR YOUR APPOINTMENT
Minden: 705-286-6001
or 1-866-276-7120

Torrent Podium Edition shown, MSRP $29,770

2008 PONTIAC TORRENT

$20,998 CASH PURCHASE PRICE* | $1,000

DRIVE 935km

TORRENT FWD STANDARD FEATURES INCLUDE:
• 3.4L 185 hp V6 Engine • StabiliTrak™ Electronic Stability Control System • 16-in. Aluminum Wheels • OnStar® with 1 year of the Safe and Sound Plan*

2009 PONTIAC MONTANA SV6 RWB

$17,398 CASH PURCHASE PRICE* | $1,000

DRIVE 891km

MONTANA SV6 STANDARD FEATURES INCLUDE:
• 3.9L 240 hp V6 VVT Engine • OnStar® with 1 Year of the Safe & Sound Plan* • Air Conditioning • 17-in. Wheels • Remote Keyless Entry System • Power Windows, Door Locks and Heated Mirrors • Deep-Tinted Glass

Holiday CA$H Bonus

PURCHASE FINANCING AS LOW AS 0% FOR 60 MONTHS OF SELECT VEHICLES

PLUS A MASTER CASH BONUS OF UP TO $2,000

Financing that fits.

Ask about our finance offers with terms up to 72 months.

Acadia SLT shown, MSRP $47,836

2009 GMC ACADIA

OWN IT $268 BI-WEEKLY/60 MONTHS $2,950 DOWN PAYMENT FREIGHT AND TAXES NOT INCLUDED | $1,500

FINANCING FOR 60 MONTHS* 1.9% | EFFECTIVE RATE 4.5%

BEST FUEL ECONOMY

GMC ACADIA WELL EQUIPPED WITH:
• 3.6L 288 hp SIDI V6 VVT Engine • Traction Control • StabiliTrak™ Electronic Stability Control System • 8-passenger Seating • 18-in. Aluminum Wheels • OnStar® with 1 Year of the Directions & Connections Plan and Turn-by-Turn Navigation System • Ultrasonic Rear Parking Assist • Front-to-Rear Side Head Curtain Air Bags • Preffered Package: 6-way Power Driver's Seat, Heated Mirrors with Turn Signals, Leather-wrapped Steering Wheel with Sound System Controls and Bluetooth® Connectivity • Remote Keyless Entry System

PONTIAC
BUICK
GMC

Sierra SLE Ext Cab shown, MSRP $38,345

2009 GMC SIERRA EXT. CAB

OWN IT $235 BI-WEEKLY/60 MONTHS $2,950 DOWN PAYMENT FREIGHT AND TAXES NOT INCLUDED | $2,000

FINANCING FOR 60 MONTHS* 0.9% | EFFECTIVE RATE 4.78%

MOST FUEL EFFICIENT

GMC SIERRA EXT. CAB 4WD WELL EQUIPPED WITH:
• 4.8L 295 hp SFI V8 Engine • OnStar® with 1 Year of the Safe and Sound Plan* • 4-speed Automatic Transmission with Tow/Haul Mode • 17-in. Chrome-style Wheels • StabiliTrak™ Electronic Stability Control System • Fog Lights • Air Conditioning • Remote Keyless Entry System • Power Windows, Door Locks and Heated Mirrors • Trailering Special Equipment Package • Locking Rear Differential

GM Canada

THE BEST COVERAGE IN CANADA
5 YEARS OR 160,000 KM^ • POWERTRAIN COMPONENT LIMITED WARRANTY • ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE • COURTESY TRANSPORTATION

STUDENT BONUS.ca GM pays the first 2 monthly payments**

Redeem your GM Card earnings today.†

BUYPONTIAC.CA

For the latest information, visit us at gm.ca, call 1-800-GMDRIVE or visit your local Pontiac Buick GMC dealer. *$2,000 and other holiday cash bonus amounts are a manufacturer to dealer delivery credit (tax exclusive) available on select 2008/2009 vehicles. ±0% purchase financing for 60 months available on all 2008 models except: Buick Enclave, GM Vans, GMT 560 family 2, 3 & T. 0% purchase financing for 60 months available on the following 2009 models: Pontiac G5, Vibe, G6, Montana SV6, Torrent, Buick Allure, Lucerne, GMC Canyon. Example: $10,000 at 0% for 60 months, the monthly payment is $166.67. Cost of borrowing is $0, total obligation is $10,000. 1.9%/0.9% purchase financing available for 60 months available on 2009 GMC (Acadia SLE 1SP/Sierra Ext Cab 4WD 1SP). Financing available on approved GMAC credit only. Down payment and/or trade may be required. Monthly payment and cost of borrowing will vary depending on amount borrowed and down payment/trade. Example $10,000 at 1.9%/4.5%/0.9%/4.78% for 60/60/60/60 months, the monthly payment is $174.84/$186.43/$170.51/$187.71. Cost of borrowing is $490.40/$1,185.60/$230.60/$1,262.60, total obligation is $10,490.40/$11,185.60/$10,230.60/$11,262.60. Freight and taxes not included. Offers apply as indicated to the purchase of 2008/2009 new or demonstrator models of the vehicle equipped as described. Offers apply to qualified retail customers in the Ontario Financing available on approved GMAC credit only. Down payment and/or trade may be required. Monthly payment and cost of borrowing will vary depending on amount borrowed and down payment/trade. Example $10,000 at 1.8%/4.5%/0.9%/4.78% for 60/60/60/60 months, the monthly payment is $174.84/$186.43/$170.51/$187.71. Cost of borrowing is $490.40/$1,185.60/$230.60/$1,262.60, total obligation is $10,490.40/$11,185.60/$10,230.60/$11,262.60. Freight and taxes not included. Offers apply as indicated to the purchase of 2008/2009 new or demonstrator models of the vehicle equipped as described. Offers apply to qualified retail customers in the Ontario purchase offers. By selecting lease or finance offers consumers are foregoing such credit which will result in a higher effective interest rate. ‡♦Freight ($1,150/$1,350/$1,300/$1,350), license, insurance, registration, PPSA, administration fees and taxes are not included. Offers may not be combined with other offers. See your dealer for conditions and details. †Subject to Vehicle Redemption Allowances. Visit thegmcard.ca for more details including terms and conditions that apply to The GM Card Pontiac Buick GMC Dealer Marketing Association area only (including Outlooks and excluding Northwestern Ontario). Dealer order or trade may be required. Dealers are free to set individual prices. Limited time offer which may not be used under license. TD logo is a trade-mark of The Toronto-Dominion Bank. ¥®OnStar services require vehicle electrical system (including battery), wireless service and GPS satellite signals to be available and operating for earnings and Redemption Program. The Toronto-Dominion Bank and its affiliates are not responsible for the GM Card Earnings and Redemption Allowance Program. ® Registered trade-mark of General Motors Corporation/Used under license. ▽GMCL will pay the first two months' GMAC finance payments for finance features to function properly. Subscription Service Agreement required. Call 1-888-466-7827) or visit onstar.ca for OnStar's Terms and Conditions, Privacy Statement and details and system limitations. ΔEstimated 2009 ratings, based on GM Testing in accordance with approved Transport Canada test methods. Your actual fuel consumption may vary. ◊GMAC finance payments for finance terms up to 60 months only, paid up to a maximum monthly finance payment of $400 (tax included). Offer applicable to equal monthly payment finance agreements with GMAC and subject to GMAC credit approval. License, insurance, registration and administration fees not included and may be payable upon signing. Program not available to recipients of any previous GM student/graduate offer. Visit gmstudentbonus.ca for more details. iPod® is a registered trademark of Apple Inc. ^US government star ratings are part of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA's) New Car Assessment Program. For more information on safety ratings, go to www.safercar.gov. 2008 Pontiac Torrent, 2009 GMC Acadia and GMC Sierra received both a 5-star Rating for the driver and front passenger in the Frontal Crash Test and for Front and Rear Seat Occupants in the Side-Impact Crash Test. 2009 Pontiac Montana SV6 received a 5-star Rating for the driver and front passenger in the Frontal Crash Test

Home Support Services founder cared about community

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Doris McCann, the woman who founded what is now called Community Care Haliburton County almost 30 years ago, learned at a young age that we all have a responsibility to help one another.

She died on November 13. She was 89.

She was born on a farm near Scotch Line Road and Hwy. 35 to Annie Prentice and Dunn Gibbs, one of 11 children. Although she grew up during the Depression, her parents instilled in her a compassion for others as well as a strong work ethic. They would take produce from their farm to families in need and when there was extra milk, the children would take a bucket of it to Scotch Line School so all the students could enjoy a cup of hot chocolate.

"We were all raised to be thoughtful and caring," she said in a 1988 profile in the *Echo*.

It had been impossible for her mother Annie Gibbs to pursue an education, which made it even more of an imperative for her children. Not only was Doris one of the few who went to Minden Continuation School for Grades 9 and 10 before having to move to Toronto to finish high school, there being none in the county. To help pay for the cost of living in the city, she was a housemaid where she was boarding, doing chores before and after school every day.

She then trained to be a nurse at Toronto Western Hospital. She worked her way up to head nurse before, finally, being accepted into Canada's armed services in 1943. At a wing commander's dinner, she met a young navigator named Richard McCann, who had earned the Distinguished Flying Cross while overseas. They had to postpone wedding plans until she recovered from tuberculosis.

They married in 1949 and had four children – Judy, Peter, Barry and Bryan. Based in Scarborough, Richard worked in sales for McGraw Hill Publications for most of his career.

As the children grew older and she had less to do at home, she worried that despite her volunteer work, "no one knew I existed." She decided to go back to school to train as a public health nurse. Once she started working she became increasingly frustrated because, while she could easily identify the needs of some of her poorer clients, their poverty stood in the way of being able to do much to help them. The community needed to pitch in.

Her main priority was ensuring that children had proper nutrition and healthcare and she rallied the support of community organizations to fund several programs. "You people have to help solve the problems," she told them. "You have a responsibility to make sure these families get the things I recommend for them."

As she told the *Echo*, "Being kind is not enough. It's having the get up and go to do something about it."

Her work did not go unnoticed. The province gave her $500,000 and the task of establishing Scarborough Support Services to provide help to seniors living at home. She taught at Seneca College from 1970 to 1974 when she and Richard bought some property on Kennisis Lake, where they built what would be their cottage until Richard retired.

Once they became full-time residents back in the county of her birth, she couldn't help but notice that local seniors had no resources to draw upon. There were no agencies in Haliburton so as she laid the groundwork for Haliburton County Home Support Services, which was incorporated in 1979, she had to make many trips to Peterborough and Toronto. She didn't have the budget she'd been given in Scarborough but she did have a phone book full of people who could help.

What seniors needed the most, she determined, was contact with others. Her first programs were Meals on Wheels, Phone a Friend and Friendly Visiting, programs which still exist today. Her efforts earned her the distinction of Highlander of the Year.

As years passed and Home Support Services grew – it is now called Community Care – she grew apart from the group because she felt too much emphasis was spent on running the organization. "It has to get back to being more personal and with more feeling," she said in 1988. "We're too geared to getting new projects. We need to have the human touch and caring."

She was content to be able to spend more time on Kennisis Lake with her own family.

Doris McCann's funeral was yesterday at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Haliburton. She was predeceased by her husband Richard and her son Peter.

MASTER'S BOOK STORE

• Antiquarian Books • Books & Music for Children • Health & Family Care • Cook Books • Craft Books • Nature Books Educational Books • Reference Books • Bibles • Journals • Specialty Books • Christian Books & Music • Puzzles • Classical Music • Music Books • Stationery • Inspirational Gifts • Topographical Maps
DEALER
Always pleased to Assist with Special Orders
The Village Barn
195 Highland St., Haliburton • 457-2223
mastersbook@bellnet.ca

Start a New Tradition This Holiday Season!
Package contains everything you need to begin making Christmas memories for your family – one elf & a beautiful Children's book.
the ELF on the SHELF A Christmas Tradition
MASTER'S BOOK STORE

NEW SERVICE – PHOTO BOOKS
TELL YOUR STORY IN A BOOK. FROM $39.99 FOR 20 PAGES
SAMPLES AT:

Photo Solutions
foto source™
Heritage Plaza, Hwy 35 & Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden
705-286-6011

HEY HALIBURTON COUNTY!
WE'RE MAKING IT EASY FOR YOU, SEE THE LATEST IN PENTAX DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY.

BRIAN HULTAY, IS PLEASED TO BE AT PHOTO SOLUTIONS FOTO SOURCE TO SHOW YOU THE INNOVATIVE FEATURES, THE EASE OF OPERATION, AND EXPLAIN THE VALUE OF PURCHASING PENTAX DIGITAL CAMERAS.
ENTRY LEVEL CAMERA SPECIAL!
PENTAX OPTIO E50 WITH A CAMERA CASE $99.99

EXTREME SPORTS CAMERA
OPTIO W60 WATERPROOF @ $289.99
WEEKEND WARRIOR DIGITAL SLR
K200D KIT WITH 18-55 LENS $689.99
50-300 LENS AVAILABLE
BUNDLE SPECIALS AVAILABLE!
COME IN – SEE THE COOL STUFF.
ENTER OUR STORE DRAW FOR A PHOTO BOOK.
No Purchase Necessary to Enter.

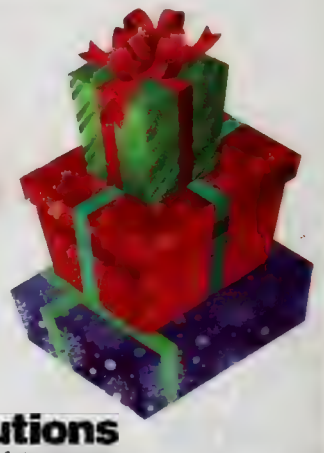
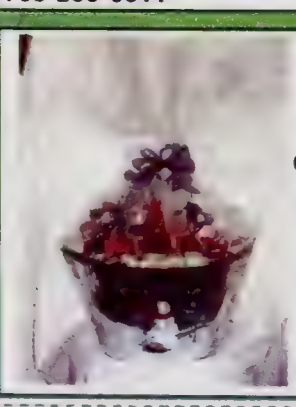



Photo Solutions
foto source™
Heritage Plaza, Hwy 35 & Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden
705-286-6011

TOP GIFT PICKS

PENTAX OPTIO E 50
with a Camera Case
$99.99
Photo Solutions
foto source™
Heritage Plaza, Hwy 35 & Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden
705-286-6011


Made to Order Gift Baskets
Choose from wines, gourmet foods, maple syrup 7 more. Great gift idea for that special someone.
Maple Moon & Moon Shadows Estate Winery

(705) 455-9999
12953 HWY. 118, 5 KM West of Haliburton Village • www.moonshadowswinery.com

Prices will soften but they won't take a dive

from page 1

"We have to continue to work on things like high-speed Internet, but we have the foundation," Hodgson said. "The big driver for us is the boomers leaving Toronto and we're primed to catch most of those buyers..

The key to Haliburton's projected success is its infrastructure. The fact that there are two hospitals in the county, service clubs and Fleming College all encourage boomers to move to the area. The only sticking point would be if high-speed Internet doesn't make it everywhere.

"We have to continue to work on our infrastructure. The big deal is high-speed Internet in the whole county," Hodgson said.

Representatives from Royal LePage, Century 21 and ReMax all agreed that there is more supply than demand in the market right now and that sales are slowing. It's concerning, but all have an optimistic attitude of the years to come. What helps is the range of housing."

"In an area like this we're not dealing with just residential. We're dealing with multi-price ranges. What happens is for example ... our high-end market ... cottages that are in excess of $500,000 have really slowed," said broker Vince Duchene of ReMax.

"But anything that's under that we still have a lot of inquiries in action. If it's under $300,000 there's a good chance that it will still sell," he said.

"Residential still attracts attention if it's priced right and it's not even close to the doom and gloom that the media has portrayed or reported. We still are hanging in there," he said.

At Century 21 the average time it takes to sell a house has lengthened from 63 days in October 2007 to 65 this year.

"The volume is definitely down from last year. Now, last year was a pretty good year. We're not in any sort of crash mode, that's for sure. Prices have held so far," he said.

The Canadian Real Estate Association is projecting a softening of the market for the next few quarters followed by a stabilization.

According to a press release issued November 10, "Canadians should realize that Canada's economy and housing market are both in better shape [than in the U.S.] This means the downturn in Canadian consumer confidence will pass and when it does, housing demand will rebound, especially when they realize the window of opportunity to buy at reduced prices and low interest rates will begin to narrow once economic growth shows signs of rebounding next year."

The CREA expects that rebound to happen by 2010.

VanLieshout said that when the economy gets a little rocky people are less likely to take the plunge and buy a cottage, creating a decrease in demand while the supply is high.

"When the market starts to soften a little bit then people start to hesitate a little bit and you start to get the accumulated effect of listings," he said.

"At some point when you combine the price of the cottage, the insurance rates have gone up on properties as the taxes have gone up. The fuel costs went up to get back and forth to the cottage and heating costs. All of those associated costs have all gone up as well as the price of the cottage at some point you get to a break point where it's no longer affordable for the majority of the people and as a result they rethink it or don't buy," he said.

But, as Duchene pointed out, those looking for residential properties probably won't get caught up in the stock market travails.

"Especially with the consumer that we have, a lot of those consumers are not playing the money market so they're not as snake-bitten. They're two-income families, but with secure jobs and they're taking advantage of the fact that mortgage rates are still very low and now the price is adjusted. They're benefiting from it. Sellers have not pushed the panic button, that's for sure," Duchene said.

In 2006 the real estate market was quite healthy and many have seen their properties appreciate over the years by up to 300 per cent. Now those properties are depreciating, but brokers say it is nothing like the crash in the early 90s and eventually the market will even out again.

VanLieshout says, "I think if you look historically at the real estate market it works in seven-year valleys and peaks. If we go back to the mid-80s, when I started selling real estate, the market was very strong from the mid-80s to up 'til about 1990 where you saw dramatic appreciation and then in 1990 things tapered off again.

"And from '90 to '96 in this area we saw depreciation in property values by about 30 per cent. A good scenario would be if you had a $300,000 cottage in 1990 and '96/'97 it would be worth $200,000 and then from '96/'97 up 'til 2006/2007 we saw property values increase by 250 to 300 per cent so a waterfront cottage ... would be $600,000 in 2006."

Hodgson said the market is nearing what's called a "buyer's market," where the prices are forced down and the selection is vast.

"The biggest slowdown right now is folks are reading in the papers about in the United States the top 20 cities have dropped 10 per cent in value last year. So folks are wondering when's the best time to buy," Hodgson said.

"Everybody has a list of buyers that are interested and they're just waiting to see when is the best time. Is it now, is it the spring, is it the winter?" he said.

Still, all of the realtors expect that once Canada weathers this economic storm there will be a steady stream of Torontonians in their 60s looking for a comfortable place to retire to and Haliburton is at the top of their lists.

"I think going forward we're going to be in great shape," Hodgson said.

MPAC extends office hours to answer questions

from page 1

"Our values are based on actual selling prices and reflect the local real estate market," Piggott said. "We have seen selling prices for homes, waterfront property and farmland increase over the past three years and our values show that."

Municipalities establish tax rates that are applied to assessed values to pay for local services, and the provincial government sets the education portion of the tax.

Property assessment notices have now been mailed to more than 31,000 property owners in Haliburton County.

Hours at the Peterborough office will be extended from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday through December 12 to respond to local taxpayers' questions. The regular hours at the Peterborough office are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Property taxpayers can also call the customer contact centre at 1 866 296-6722 (MPAC) or visit www.mpac.ca for more information.

MATT JAMES/Echo

Two female cadets from Haliburton's Army Cadet Corps bow their heads during the Remembrance Day ceremony at the Haliburton cenotaph on November 11.

War different today, veterans say

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

As bagpipes signalled the start of Haliburton's Remembrance Day service the community gathered to share thoughts of those who sacrificed their lives in times of war.

Led by their sergeant-at-arms, Brian Hambly, the Haliburton Legion colour party marched to a halt at the cenotaph where residents, veterans, Legion members, cadets and soldiers serving with Canada's armed forces marked the 61st Remembrance Day ceremony in Haliburton.

A cold November breeze swept through main street as people bowed their heads during the 11 a.m. moment of silence.

Following the playing of the reveille was the wreath-laying ceremony, where family members with ties to lost loved ones paid their respects, followed by local dignitaries including Dysart et al reeve Murray Fearrey and county warden Eleanor Harrison.

As always, members of the Legion invited the community back to Branch 129 for food, drinks, and a chance to converse, which the Echo did with 87-year-old Billy Pickard. Pickard served in World War II for three and a half years, two and a half of which were overseas. She served in Canada, England, Germany, France and Holland.

Of the 20 women she served with as a member of the postal corps in Canada's Women's Army Corps, only three or four are still alive. "Everyday is Remembrance Day to me," she said.

November 11 is always an emotional day for those who served in the armed forces. When asked to share her worst and best memories of the Second World War, Pickard said, "The best thing was the end of the war."

She recalls a trip between Normandy, France and Antwerp, Belgium. "When we stopped to get something to eat, people fought over the food I threw away," she said. "The poverty was so awful. I was just so glad I lived in Canada."

When asked to compare the Second World War to the war in Afghanistan, she says, "It's an altogether different war. I was fighting against another country, now it's fighting terrorism."

As a member of the postal corps Pickard was responsible for the communication between soldiers and their families. She was their only means of communication.

Today soldiers can communicate with those back home in many ways: email, face-to-face video communication, and DVDs.

When asked if she felt it was still necessary to fight in wars, she said, "There has got to be another way."

Also sitting at the table is Gord Kennedy wearing his original uniform from the war. The 92-year-old vet went overseas on two separate occasions, as the single medal bar stretching across one of his three medals indicates.

Kennedy was one of the first to go overseas, to England, and he came home just before the battle of Dunkirk. He was recalled for D-Day and was shipped off to France.

Kennedy looks amazing considering what he's been through. Being born in the middle of the First World War, surviving the depression, and serving twice in the Second World War would finish the majority of us.

When asked if he ever got tired of talking to people about the war he said, "No, I like to talk." Like Pickard, Kennedy feels war is much different today.

"There's no comparison," he said. "War is run entirely different."

When asked if he thought it was still necessary to do physical battle in order to resolve conflict he said, "yes." When asked why he paused and said he said had to think about it. Asked again a few minutes later he said, "I believe it clears the air." And, as if he was reliving the moment, he passionately pounded one fist into the other and said, "Battle is battle."

During the last century millions have perished in war and those who served fought for our freedom; no one is more proud of that fact than Legion president Carla Watson.

"It was my first time doing this, so it was an honour," said Watson. "The Legion is about our vets, so to be a Canadian and to be a Legion member, I am very proud."

During the service Watson said it was emotional as she looked to her left and right and saw the faces soldiers aged 17 to 92.

"To see these people, it tugs at your heart strings," she said. "It was a real honour to have [soldiers from CFB Petawawa] visiting." After the luncheon the visiting soldiers and vets took the time to visit Highland Wood and Extendicare before heading back the Legion for dinner.

Vote for a chance to win one of ten Gingerbread Houses

Brought to you by the Haliburton Rotary Club

Voting starts Friday, Nov. 21st and ends Monday, December 1st at Haliburton Foodland

Each completed Gingerbread House will reflect a theme representing a local Village in the Highlands.
Represented Villages are: Wilberforce, Fort Irwin, West Guilford, Donald, Haliburton, Eagle Lake, Gelert, Tory Hill, Lochlin and Gooderham.

Houses are being constructed by these local businesses:

- Franka's Delectables
- Cordell Carpets
- Haliburton Foodland
- The Delta Pinestone Resort
- The County Voice
- Crafts & More
- Varty Jewellers
- Todd's Independent
- Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation
- Bonnie View Inn

THE ECHO HALIBURTON COUNTY

Proud supporters of our community.

HOCKEY FANS!
Come Out for an Evening of Action! Cheer them on!

Sunday, November 23rd @ 6:00 p.m.
RiverKings vs South Muskoka

Sunday, December 7th @ 6:00 p.m.
RiverKings vs Ontario

Sunday, December 14th @ 6:00 p.m.
RiverKings vs Nipissing

S. G. Nesbitt Arena – Minden

Clockwise from left, 92-year-old Gord Kennedy reflects on war during the parade; a soldier from CFB Petawawa stares past the lens; Haliburton Legion sergeant-at arms Brian Hambly and the colour party; and WWII veteran Billy Pickard watches the ceremony from a military vehicle. **Photos by Matt James**

HIGHEST POSSIBLE U.S. GOVERNMENT CRASH SAFETY RATING*

Malibu LTZ shown. MSRP $31,595

2009 CHEVROLET MALIBU LS

$22,798 CASH PURCHASE PRICE† INCL. **$1,000** CASH BONUS

43 MPG

AND AN IMPRESSIVE LIST OF STANDARD FEATURES:

- 2.4L VVT ECOTEC 4 cyl. 169 hp Engine
- 4 Wheel Disc Brakes with ABS & Full Traction Control
- Driver and Front-Passenger Frontal Airbags
- OnStar® with 1-year Directions and Connections Plan with Turn-by-Turn Navigation

HIGHEST POSSIBLE U.S. GOVERNMENT CRASH SAFETY RATING*

Team Canada Edition Package shown. MSRP $29,010

2008 CHEVROLET EQUINOX LS

$20,298 CASH PURCHASE PRICE† INCL. **$1,000** CASH BONUS

DRIVE 935km

WELL EQUIPPED WITH:

- 3.4L 185 hp V6 Engine • Remote Keyless Entry System • StabiliTrak™ Electronic Stability Control System • 4-Wheel Disc Brakes with ABS and Traction Control • Power Windows, Programmable Door Locks and Exterior Mirrors • Dual-Stage Driver and Front-Passenger Frontal Air Bags • 6-Speaker CD Player with Auxiliary Audio Input Jack • OnStar® with 1-year Safe and Sound Plan•

Holiday CASH Bonus

PURCHASE FINANCING AS LOW AS 0% FOR 60 MONTHS ON SELECT VEHICLES‡

PLUS A HOLIDAY CASH BONUS UP TO $2,000 ON VIRTUALLY ALL VEHICLES†

Financing that fits. Ask about our finance offers with terms up to 72 months.

HIGHEST POSSIBLE U.S. GOVERNMENT CRASH SAFETY RATING*

Traverse LTZ FWD shown. MSRP $50,200

2009 CHEVROLET TRAVERSE

ALL NEW MID-SIZE CROSSOVER

$31,549 CASH PURCHASE PRICE† INCL. **$1,500** CASH BONUS†

34 MPG

STANDARD FEATURES ON THE TRAVERSE CROSSOVER:

- 3.6L V6 SIDI engine • First class seating for 7 or 8 • Side Curtain airbags covering all 3 rows of seating • Smart Slide™ second row seats • Five-star crash safety rating – both front and side crash tests • Best in class cargo capacity** • OnStar® with Standard Directions and Connections Plan with Turn-by-Turn Navigation

HIGHEST POSSIBLE U.S. GOVERNMENT CRASH SAFETY RATING*

2009 CHEVROLET SILVERADO EXT CAB LS

OWN IT **$235** BI-WEEKLY/ 60 MONTHS† $2700 DOWN PAYMENT FREIGHT AND TAXES NOT INCLUDED

EFFECTIVE RATE **4.80%** **0.9%** FINANCING

INCL. **$2,000** CASH BONUS†

26 MPG

STANDARD EQUIPMENT INCLUDES:

- Vortec 4.8L V8 295 hp Engine • 4-Speed Automatic Transmission • Air Conditioning • Power Locks & Windows • Remote Keyless Entry System • Cruise Control • 17" Wheels • 4-wheel ABS Brakes • Locking Differential • Deep Tint Glass • Trailering hitch platform, 7-wire harness • OnStar® with 1-year Safe and Sound Plan•

Visit your Ontario Chevrolet dealer or ontariochevroletdealers.com

GM Canada

THE BEST COVERAGE IN CANADA
5 YEARS / 160,000 KM* • POWERTRAIN COMPONENT LIMITED WARRANTY • ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE • COURTESY TRANSPORTATION

* WHICHEVER COMES FIRST. EXCLUDES MEDIUM-DUTY TRUCKS. SEE DEALER FOR LIMITED WARRANTY DETAILS.

GREEN BY DESIGN

STUDENT BONUS GM pays the first 2 monthly payments▼

For the latest information, visit us at chevrolet.gm.ca, drop your local Chevrolet dealer or call us at 1-800-GM-DRIVE. ¥$2,000 and other holiday cash bonus amounts are a manufacturer to dealer delivery credit (tax exclusive) available on select 2008/2009 vehicles. ‡0% purchase financing for 60 months available on all 2008 models except Chevrolet Cobalt SS, Corvette, GH vans, available on 2009 Chevrolet Silverado Ext Cab 4WD 1SP Financing available on approved GMAC credit only. Down payment, trade and/or security deposit may be required. Monthly payment and cost of borrowing will vary depending on amount borrowed and down payment/trade. Example: $10,000 at 0%/4.80%, the monthly payment is $166.67/$197.80 for 60 months. Cost of borrowing is $0/$1,268.00. Total obligation is $10,000/$11,268.00. Freight and taxes are not included. Offers R7A /2009 Traverse FWD LS new or demonstrator model. Cash purchase price reflects discounts or other incentives that are only available when consumers opt for a cash purchase offer. By selecting lease or finance offers consumers are foregoing such discounts and incentives which will result in a higher effective interest rate. ‡‡Freight ($1,350/$1,350/$1,150/$1,300), license, insurance, registration, PPSA, administration fees and taxes are not included. Offers apply as indicated to the purchase of 2009 new or demonstrator models of the vehicle equipped as described. Offers apply to qualified retail customers in the Ontario Chevrolet Dealer Marketing Association area only (including Outaouais and excluding Northwestern Ontario). Dealer order (2009 models only) or trade may be required. Dealers are free to sell individual prices. Limited time offer which may not be combined with other offers. See your dealer for conditions and details. ▲Estimated 2009 ratings, based on GM testing in accordance with approved Transport Canada test methods. Your actual fuel consumption may vary. ◊GMCL will pay the first two months GMAC finance payments for gmstudentbonus.ca for more details. ◊2008 Chevrolet Equinox, 2009 Malibu and 2009 Silverado received both a 5-star rating for the driver and front passenger in the frontal crash test and 5-star rating for the driver and front passenger in the side-impact crash test. Five-star frontal crash rating is for driver and front-passenger seating positions in the frontal crash test. Side-impact crash test rating is for model tested with standard head curtain and seat-mounted side-impact air bags. U.S. government star ratings are part of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) New Car Assessment Program (NCAP). See safercar.gov for details. **With second and third-row seats folded. Based on 2008 GM mid-utility Crossover segment and test, and for the front and rear seating positions in the side-impact crash test. Side-impact crash test rating is for model tested with standard head curtain and seat-mounted side-impact air bags. U.S. government star ratings are part of the latest available competitive information. Cargo and load capacity limited by weight and distribution. ▪®OnStar services require vehicle electrical system (including battery), wireless service and GPS satellite signals to be available and operating for features to function properly. Subscription Service Agreement required. Call 1-888-4ONSTAR (1-888-466-7827) or visit onstar.ca for OnStar's Terms and Conditions, Privacy Statement and details and system limitations

HOME AND COTTAGE SERVICE DIRECTORY

For All Your Home Care Needs... Call one of our Local Specialists

castle building centres EMMERSON LUMBER
63 Maple Ave., Haliburton
CUSTOM HOME & COTTAGE DESIGN
Phone: 705-457-1550 Fax: 705-457-1520
Out of Town Customers Call 1-888-339-3325
email:information@emmersonlumber.com • www.emmersonlumber.com

BLAKE PUBLIC STORAGE
15% off November thru to February ONLY
Hwy. 118, Haliburton
Many sizes
Convenient Location
457-2250

WE HAVE INSURANCE TO LIFT YOUR BUILDING
G. Rowden Building
Specializing in
• Cottage Lifting • Basements
• Perimeter Walls • Concrete Slabs
(705) 457-2168

MISCIO CONSTRUCTION
GENERAL CONTRACTOR
serving the Highlands since 1987
We Do It All! Complete Custom Homes, Cottages, Renovations, Additions, Garages, Decks, Block Foundations, Foundations Under Existing Structures
References Available • Fully Insured
No Job To Small!!
Levern Ph/Fax (705) 754-3181 or Chris (705) 754-3761
Cell: (705) 457-0758 Toll Free: 1-877-291-0998
miscioconstruction@bellnet.ca www.miscioconstruction.ca

PETRINI CONSTRUCTION
VINYL & ALUMINUM SIDING
SOFFIT • FASCIA • ROOFING
DOORS & WINDOWS
5" SEAMLESS EAVESTROUGH
GUTTER PROTECTION SYSTEMS
HALIBURTON COUNTY HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION
Serving Haliburton County since 1978
Nathan Petrini 705-457-2754
www.petriniconstruction.com 1-877-PETRINI (738-7464)

When Quality is Your #1 Concern
IAN JOHNSON
(general contracting)
ALL HOME IMPROVEMENTS
705.754.1086
WSIB REGISTERED CSAO MEMBER

INSULSAVE INSULATION
•ATTICS
•CATHEDRAL CEILINGS
REDUCE ENERGY COSTS BY 30-50%
WALL & FLOOR JOIST
CUT AIR FILTRATION BY 60%
PROPINK Wall Insulation
OWENS CORNING CERTIFIED INSTALLER PAUL DAIGLE JR
705-754-3550 Haliburton 705-455-7330

Mark's Landscaping
Excavation and Bobcat Service
Total Site Preparation • Roads • Excavations • Basements
Post Holes • Snowplowing • Retaining Walls
Grading • Driveways • Sand • Gravel • Topsoil
Crushed Stone • Danger Trees • Bobcat • Excavator
Fully Insured
Mark Hatton
1148 Koshlong Lake Rd., RR #2
Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0
705-457-4856 home
705-457-0726 cell
705-457-4843 fax

MINDEN HILLS RENT-ALL

WORK SMART! NOT HARD!
All the Tools & Equipment For Do-It-Yourselfers & Contractors
Authorized Dealer
ECHO Ask Any Pro!™
Dale & Sandy
Our Business is Rentals
Hwy. 35, Minden 705.286.3047
Or reserve online: www.mindenhillsrentall.com

J&K Hearn
705-754-9657
Drywall
Boarding • Taping
Hand Textured Ceilings
Water Damage • Prime & Paint
James & Kelly Hearn, R.R. #1, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0

ROYAL HOMES LIMITED

A Place to Build Memories
Your Lot, Your Dream Custom Built Home or Cottage
3kms south of Minden on Hwy 35
705-286-6992 1-888-717-4923
www.RoyalHomesMinden.on.ca

GLAYDEN CONTRACTING & CARPENTRY
• Decks • Patios
• Kitchens • Bathrooms
Hardwood • Ceramic
info@glayden.com
457-8313 Mobile: 457-5474

info@blackrocklandscapes.ca www.blackrocklandscapes.ca
blackrock landscapes
RR#2 Loon Lake, Haliburton, Ont. K0M1S0 Canada
tel :705-457-4574
fax :705-457-5031
toll free: 1-877-353-3313
don woudstra concept design construction

ROCK HIGH CONTRACTING & CASTLEWORK DESIGNS
Locally Owned & Operated
CUSTOM GRANITE FIREPLACES
LANDSCAPED PATIOS & STAIRS
INSTALLATION OF ALUMINUM SIDING
FLOORING - CERAMIC & WOOD
HOME IMPROVEMENTS
Ralph Gerry
1-705-380-6995
REFERENCES AVAILABLE

Sharp Electric
GENERATORS & EMERGENCY BACK UP POWER SYSTEMS
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING & SERVICE
COTTAGE • HOME • COMMERCIAL • INDUSTRIAL
Supplies • Water Heater Repairs • Electric Heat • Pole Lines • Hydro Poles
ESA Contractor #7002795
Featuring SOMMERS Generators
Serving Haliburton Highlands Over 32 Years
HALIBURTON
(705) 457-2640

JASON REAY CONSTRUCTION
Custom Building • Renovations • Additions
5" Seamless Eavestroughing • Soffit • Fascia • Siding
Backhoe, Skid Steer & Dump Truck Service
705.457.6010

The Kitchen Guy
specializing in
Renovations
Cabinetry - Flooring
Tile Installation • DRYWALL
Roy Petry 705-489-1875

GREAT NORTHERN INSULATION
Great Northern Insulation is an industry-leading insulation contractor with over 27 years experience. We are the largest insulation company in Ontario and have branches throughout. We specialize in **BASF WALLTITE® spray foam insulation endorsed by Mike Holmes.**
You've seen us on Cottage Life TV!
Area Rep Phil O'Reilly, Kushog Lake
Toll Free: 1-888-855-8752 • www.gni.ca

Visit our website: www.haliburtonecho.ca and post your upcoming event listing for FREE

CHAD INGRAM/Echo

The Wilberforce United Church and Friends Choir perform "Amazing Grace" during the Wilberforce Remembrance Day proceedings on November 11.

Wilberforce Legion sergeant-at-arms Tom Coghlan and Highlands East Reeve and Legion chaplain Dave Burton pay their respects after laying a wreath during the ceremony.

Wilberforce takes time to remember

community news

wilberforce

Hilda Clarke
448-2018

Members of the Royal Canadian Legion branch 624 led a very well-attended Remembrance Day service again this year. To the beat of Sean Cook's drum, sergeant-at-arms Tom Coghlan commanded the procession of the colour parties to the cenotaph in Wilberforce on Tuesday, November 11. It included Legionnaires Len Crawford, Stu Garland, Cindy Hall, Al Hall and Ron Muirhead and, from the Ladies Auxiliary, Elois Somerville, Lynn Burns and Cynthia Goodison.

Luann Coghlan very ably led the ceremonies, which included the national and royal anthems, the traditional time of silence with the flag lowered, followed by Reveille as the flag was again raised.

The community choir led the singing of *Abide With Me* and later sang *Amazing Grace* to close the ceremony. Legion chaplain Dave Burton prayed the Legion Prayer. Legion president Bruce Rennie delivered *The Act Of Remembrance* ending with the very moving lines. "They shall not grow old as we who are left grow old. Age cannot weary them nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them."

The stately placing of the wreaths took place with the sergeant-at-arms escorting presenters to the cenotaph. LA president Elois Somerville placed the sovereign wreath on behalf of Queen Elizabeth 2. Alfretta O'Rourke, wearing her Silver Cross Medal, received after the death of her husband in World War II, placed the silver cross wreath. Ted Procher, in the absence of Harold Bebbington, laid the Canada wreath followed by the OPP's Ian Wilson with the Ontario wreath. Burton laid one from Highlands East and Bruce Rennie one from the Legion. Honouring those

See **Many wreaths** *page 25*

Many wreaths laid in honour

from page 24

from World War I was Richard Young, World War II – Len Crawford, Korean War – Cynthia Goodison, Hong Kong veterans – Ed Loft, Canadian Forces – Joe Driscoll and Deceased Veterans and Members – Gertrude Godfrey.

Bill Wingrove presented a wreath on behalf of the fire department, Don Wilson the volunteer police association wreath, Ron Barr a wreath from the Lions Club and Adele Barnes laid one from Community Care.

Student Keisha Hughes and trustee Valerie Smith placed the final wreath on behalf of the Wilberforce school children and staff who were all in attendance.

After this solemn service of remembering those who have served and are serving our country and the world well in war and peacekeeping, the colour party moved off, the children walked back to school hopefully never to have to fight any wars, and many adults went to the warm Legion hall for a meal and a time of fellowship together.

Rainy day weather didn't get people down around here last Thursday. Instead it seemed to get them up and out - out to the loonie lunch at St. Margaret's.

Nothing like a good hot bowl of soup and some cake and coffee with friends to cheer one up on a dark wet November day. How pleasant it was to see folks enjoying themselves and to hear the friendly voices.

How nice to have people drop in from Bird's Creek, Gooderham, Carnarvon and Haliburton as well as all the Wilberforce and area folk. Thanks for coming. Adding to the fun, Hilda Tuesink was surprised but delighted to blow a candle as everyone sang happy birthday to her.

We hear that many enjoyed a delicious turkey at the Highland Grove community centre on November 15. Sorry to have missed that one!

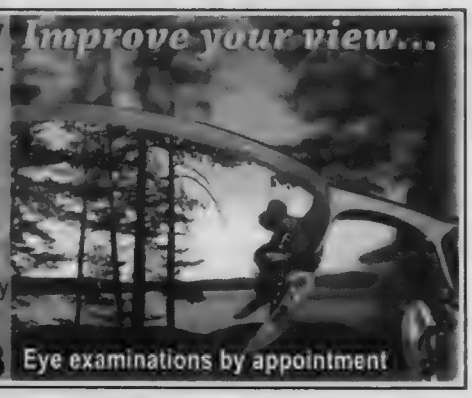
It was a triple header at St. Margaret's Church last Sunday. First they were celebrating St. Margaret's Day. Did you know that Margaret, a Scottish Queen, was the first married woman to be named a saint? (Actually all my married female friends tell me that all married women are saints!) Then at the after-service refreshment time Carolyn Beard's birthday was celebrated with a cake so kindly provided by her husband Stanley. As well, Sandra and Mark Bramham were celebrating their wedding anniversary. And since the hydro will be off on Sunday, November 30 from 7 a.m. to 12 noon there will be no heat at the church so no service that day. And since that is Stan's birthday time, they sang happy birthday to him too. Oh, that's four. Anyway, best wishes to all of them.

Drummer Sean Cook leads members of the Wilberforce Legion to the village's cenotaph for a ceremony on November 11.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Reach Your Market. Advertise Your Services in the Professional Service Section. Call 457-1037 or 286-1288

Dr. Lorne Kay
OPTOMETRIST
Haliburton Vision Care Centre
located in the Haliburton Family Medical Centre
457-9488



Floyd Hall Limited
Insurance Brokers
Cottages incl. rentals, Home, Auto & Business
2 Offices and 8 Licensed Brokers to Serve You Better!

Minden
705-286-1270
1-800-254-7814
ghall.fhl@candlelight.ca

Haliburton
705-457-1732
Fax: 705-457-2481
jmccracken.fhl@candlelight.ca

Serving the Highlands for over 50 years

Bernt Fiebiger DD
Caygeon Denture Clinic
103 Main St. Bobcaygeon, ON K0M 1A0
Your Complete and Partial Denture Specialist

- Same day repairs & relines
- Implant retained dentures
- Injection moulding for better fit
- No dentist referrals necessary

1-888-322-3032

Dawson Gray
Chartered Accountants
SMALL BUSINESS
- financial statements and business plans
- setting up accounting systems
- cash flow and income projections
- remuneration strategies

DAVID L. GRAY (705)457-1330 dgray@dawsongray.on.ca
HUGH W. NICHOL 1-888-839-0028 hnichol@dawsongray.on.ca

Be Seen
www.haliburtonecho.ca
Your County
Your Source

DAWSON INSURANCE BROKERS LTD.
191 HIGHLAND ST. HALIBURTON
AUTO • HOME
BUSINESS • COTTAGE
- Personal Assistance
- 24 Hour Claim Centre
- 56 Years of Continuous Service
- Monthly Payment Plans Available

457-2411 Email: adawson@dawsoninsurance.ca
Fax: 705-457-3932 Toll-Free: 1-800-582-5217
Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8:30-5 Saturday 9-12
"We'll Be There When YOU Need Us!"
Representing THE DOMINION
Canada's Trusted Insurance Company
Economical Insurance, ING Insurance, Algoma Mutual

VASEY INSURANCE BROKERS LTD.

- auto • homeowners
- seasonal dwellings
- recreational vehicles
- commercial package policies

Minden 286-2231 • Haliburton 457-2300
DREW CAREY 455-9867
1-888-298-7771
email: drew@candlelight.ca

LAW OFFICE
RAYMOND G. SELBIE, B.A., LL.B.
Over 30 Years in Practice in Haliburton County

Box 186,
34 Maple Avenue
Haliburton, Ontario
K0M 1S0
Phone 1-705-457-2435
Fax 1-705-457-3074
email: rselbie@on.aibn.com

- WILLS • POWERS OF ATTORNEY
- REAL ESTATE and MORTGAGES
- ESTATES • CORPORATE and COMMERCIAL

Be Seen
www.haliburtonecho.ca
Your County
Your Source

Legion helps community, young and elderly

Being a part of branch 624 Legion is very special. It is an extraordinary organization that promotes not only remembrance of Canada's veterans but also comes together to sponsor youth and the elderly in the Wilberforce Community. It also donates money to many other charitable institutions. At branch 624 there are many sports, recreational and other social activities to take part in. It is a fantastic organization to belong to and now is the time of the year to get your membership dues paid up. Please drop by the Legion and pay your dues before the end of November and be part of the early bird draw. New members are always welcome.

We welcome Brian Eves as a new executive member. Brian will be part of the entertainment committee which will be organizing many of the upcoming social nights for your entertainment. Thank you Brian for taking on this role.

Please do not forget the upcoming honours and awards night on Friday, November 21. This is a special evening set aside to honour years of service of our members and to pay special attention to some of our members.

There will be a spaghetti dinner starting at 5:30 followed by the presentations at 7 p.m. Please plan on attending this special event. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Driscol.

A call has been received to submit a float and colour party in the Wilberforce Santa Claus Parade on December 7. If Legion members are interested in being part of the colour party, please contact Tom Coghlan and if you have ideas for a float and would like to help with decorating a float for our Legion, please leave your name with the bar steward and someone will get back to you.

community news

legion br. 624

Mel Smith

448-3680

Help is needed for the wildlife dinner on December 6. Please contact Richard Young if you can assist with this great annual event.

The Casino Rama bus trip scheduled November 23 has been postponed until a future date. Brian Eves will keep us up to date.

November 18: Open darts night.

November 19: Open euchre afternoon.

November 21: All-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner, 5:30 p.m. Cost: $6.

November 21: Honours and awards starting at 7 p.m.

November 22: Meat draw at 3 p.m.

November 24: Open bid euchre, 7 p.m.

Township of Algonquin Highlands

NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE BUCKSLIDE DAM BRIDGE

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the replacement of the Buckslide Dam Bridge, located on Buckslide Road, approximately 2.0km south of Boshkung Lake Road

The above project is being planned under Schedule B of the Municipal Class Environment Assessment. Subject to comments received as a result of this Notice, and the receipt of necessary approvals, the Township of Algonquin Highlands intends to proceed with the design and construction of this project.

The project plans and other information are available for viewing by contacting the individuals listed below:

Interested persons should provide written comment to the Township on the proposal within 30 calendar days from the date of this Notice. Comment should be directed to the individuals listed above.

If concerns arise regarding this project, which cannot be resolved in discussion with the Township, a person or party may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses individual environment assessments. Requests must be received by the Minister at the address below within 30 calendar days of this Notice. A copy of this request must also be sent to the individuals listed above. If there is no request received by December 12, 2008, the replacement of the Buckslide Dam Bridge will proceed to construction as presented in the planning documentation.

Minister of the Environment
135 St. Clair Avenue
10th Floor, Toronto, ON M4V 1P5

This Notice issued November 12, 2008

Matt MacDonald, P.Eng.
Project Manager
G.D. Jewell Engineering Inc.,
R.R.#7, 5503 Highway 62, Box 7200,
Belleville, ON K8N 4Z7
Phone 613-969-1111 • Fax 613-969-8988

Brian Whetstone, CRSS
Manager of Operations,
Township of Algonquin Highlands
R.R.#2, North Shore Road
Minden, ON K0M 2K0
Phone 705-489-2379 • Fax 705-489-3491

Trillium Lakelands District School Board

PUBLIC INPUT

Trillium Lakelands District School Board is doing a program and accommodation review of Cardiff Elementary School and Wilberforce Elementary School due to declining enrolment.

There is a Committee called the "PARC" (which stands for Program and Accommodation Review Committee). Members of the PARC would like to invite you to give your input.

There will be four (4) public input meetings during the 2008-2009 school year.

Wednesday, December 3, 2008 6 p.m. Cardiff Elementary School
Wednesday, February 11, 2009 6 p.m. Wilberforce Elementary School
Wednesday, April 1, 2009 6 p.m. Cardiff Elementary School
Wednesday, May 20, 2009 6 p.m. Wilberforce Elementary Schoo

Individuals or groups wishing to speak at a public input meeting need to fill out an Input Form and send it to one of the schools or to the school board. The form is found on the TLDSB website www.tldsb.on.ca or at Cardiff or Wilberforce Elementary Schools.

1. Presentation by an individual

Individuals may present to the PARC at one of the public input meetings listed above and are given up to 5 minutes to speak. Please bring with you a written summary of your presentation for the PARC.

2. Presentation by a group

One person representing a group or organization may speak for up to 10 minutes at one of the public input meetings listed above. Please bring with you a written summary of your presentation for the PARC.

3. Written Submissions

Individuals and organizations are welcome to submit input to the PARC in writing at any time. Input forms are available on the Board website and at each of the schools.

4. Question Period

There will be an opportunity at the end of each public input meeting for questions. Members of the public will be invited to ask questions of the PARC.

For more information please contact Susan Johnson in the Director's Office at 1-888-526-5552 ext 22104.

Municipality of Dysart et al

135 Maple Avenue
P.O. Box 389,
Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0

Telephone: (705) 457-1740 Fax: (705) 457-1964

Email: info@dysartetal.ca Website: www.dysartetal.ca

NOTICE OF MEETING TIME CHANGES

All regular meetings of Council shall convene at 1:00 p.m. on the first Monday of each month and at 9:30 a.m. on the second Monday of each month.

Meetings of the Waste Management Advisory Committee shall convene at 8:00 a.m. on the second Monday of each month, when required.

Meetings of the Finance Committee shall convene at 9:00 a.m. on the second Monday of each month.

Meetings of the Public Meeting Committee shall be at 5:00 p.m. on the first Monday of each month, when required.

When a regular meeting day falls on a holiday, the Council shall meet on the next business day following the same time as specified above.

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.,
CAO/Clerk.

Notice to Ratepayers

Re: Portable Shelters

All Portable shelters including garages, gazebos, boat slips etc are Buildings in accordance with the Ontario Building Code and the Municipal Zoning By-law and a Building Permit is required before one can be erected. These buildings must meet the Zoning Provisions for the lot they are erected upon and all structural requirements of the Ontario Building Code. Most buildings sold at retailers do not meet these requirements.

The Municipality intends to enforce the requirements, which includes all existing buildings that were erected without a building permit.

To obtain further information please contact the Building Department.

NGOMA! celebrates world's drum culture

NGOMA! Drums in the Village
November 19 to December 6
Rails End Gallery, Haliburton
Hours: W/T/Fr/Sat 11-6; Sunday noon-4

Local drum guru Barry "Bazza" Hayward and his friends from Abbey North Drummers would like nothing better than to see a drum in every livingroom and a drum circle in every town. It's no surprise that a drum-themed exhibition has made its way to Haliburton. After all, Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre has been home to a weekly drum circle facilitated by Hayward for two years.

NGOMA! Drums in the Village, comes to the Gallery through Abbey North Drummers. Founding members Joe Truss and Christine Cullen, along with Hayward, have collaborated with the Rails End to present three weeks of programming in celebration of drum culture the world over that includes concerts and workshops and culminates with a 24-hour drumathon.

How did it all get started? This year Hayward visited the Democratic Republic of Congo for two weeks with 12 colleagues. Truss and Cullen travelled three months through Rwanda, Kenya and Zambia, supporting African colleagues working on early childhood development and HIV/AIDS projects. In Zambia, working with a local NGO partner, they arranged the purchase and shipment of the "NGOMA!" collection. Many instruments come from the Kabwata Cultural Centre in Lusaka, handmade by local artisans. Others come from a remote village where Abbey North's NGO partner is actively helping people living with HIV/AIDS improve their nutrition, livelihood and care. Drums on exhibition are for sale; proceeds will be shared between Abbey North Drummers and Rails End Gallery to support ongoing community projects.

For a complete schedule of events please visit www.railsendgallery.com

Wed., Nov. 19: 7:30 p.m. Community Drum Circle

Thurs., Nov. 20: exhibition begins

Sun., Nov. 23: 1-3 p.m. Workshop: Decorate a PVC pipe drum or coffee can drum and shaker to take home. Fee: $60 PVC drum/$25 coffee can/shaker, includes all materials.

Wed., Nov. 26: 7:30 p.m. Community drum circle

Thurs., Nov 27:

3 p.m. Audio Visual presentation by Abbey North Drummers

4 p.m. Community Drum Circle

6:30 p.m. Community Drum Circle

7:30 p.m. repeat audio visual presentation by Abbey North Drummers

Sat., Nov. 29:

2-4 p.m. Family Saturday, guided tour, demos

7 p.m. Reception and concert with Abbey North Drummers and Friends.

Wed., Dec. 3:

5 p.m. Open reception hosted by Abbey North (John and Thea Patterson) with special guests Tamarack

7:30 p.m. Community drum circle

Thurs., Dec 4: last day of gallery exhibition

Fri., Dec. 5 and Sat., Dec. 6: 24-hour drumathon begins 6 p.m. Friday, ends 6 p.m. Saturday

Cooper camp earns bragging rights at Haliburton Forest

community news

west guilford

Eleanor Cooper
754-2278

Hunting season is over for another year. The Cooper Hunt Camp got more deer than any of the camps at Wildlife, a total of seven which went to the guest hunters in the first week, six in the second week. To my dismay, I got one myself by virtue of hitting the 11-point stag that leapt in front of my car near the Irish Line on November 6 on my way home from choir practice. Poor deer!

Jim Milne and Earl Cooper were two of the pipers with the Highlands Pipes and Drums to participate in two Remembrance Days Services: Minden on November 9 and Haliburton on November 11. It was the first time I attended the high school's presentation of remembrance and found it very moving in the varied songs, skits, poems and recitation of *In Flanders Fields*. Well done to all who instructed and arranged such a good service.

On November 12 Dr. Jean Clinton addressed a crowd of women at the centre on the subject of Building Resiliency. Her wealth of experience in child and youth development held the interest of the whole audience as she move in humour, real life stories and extensive knowledge from her position as a assistant professor at McMaster University as child and adolescent psychiatrist.

Euchre on November 11 a the centre resulted in Norma Crewson and Cliff Davison with high scores, Norma Geddis and Ginger Muenzel with low scores, and Kay Morrison and Ron Bain with most lone hands. Bill Geddis, Myra Marshall and Perry Morrison were given special tokens!

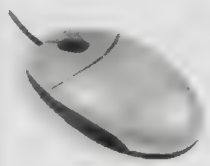
Congratulations to Angela and Michael Chumbley on the birth of twin boys, Matthew and Mark, on November 13 in Ross Memorial Hospital. Grandparents, uncles and aunties and the many cousins are all cheering!

Louise Cooper is home from her recent trip to Vancouver Island where she visited Toby West, Gail Ross and the Andy Coopers. Wayne Cooper has just returned from two weeks in Dominican Republic.

Bonnie (Barry) McCausland has spent from November 2007 to October 2008 in Haiti with Orphans Relief Aid. Her work there began in 2005 and as a volunteer she teaches English to pre-school children, establishes dental practice in clinics, extends aid in medical outreach which provides multi-vitamins to control scabies (as one example). Evangelism is also part of the ORA mandate. At present Bonnie is with her mother, Helen Barry, but leaves again for Haiti in the first week of December.

community calendar

What's happening in the Highlands



NEW!

Post your event for free on the web. Go to the Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca

CURRENT EVENTS

• November 19: First Aid/CPR at the Community Care Drop in Centre – 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. First Aid and CPR Community Care Volunteers should all have their First Aid and CPR courses up to date. Community Care strongly encourage you to get your First Aid/CPR Training so are you ready to deal with any emergency situation. In fact we regularly offer courses for you to attend. New in 2008: We are now asking for a nominal fee of $25 to assure your attendance and help defray the costs of the workshop. Members of the public are welcome to attend this CPR event if spaces are still available. Cost is $80. Please register to reserve your space, www.communitycarehaliburton.com, phone 457-2941 or email brigitte@communitycarehaliburton.com.

• November 19: Taking Care of Mom! At the Minden OEYC from 10 -11:30 a.m. Moms with small children are often so busy taking care of everyone else that they forget themselves. Come and join the Women's Health Care Centre for a relaxing morning of tips and ideas of how to take care of you while your making your own aromatherapy bath salts. Please register at the centre or phone 286-1770.

• November 20: OEYC Play and Learn visits the Lloyd Watson Community Centre in Wilberforce from 9:30 a.m to 12:00 p.m. - Families with children from 0-6 years join us for activities, crafts, music circles, guest speakers, nutritional snack and more! We are always looking for new friends to join us, so if you know someone new to the community who has not been out before please tell them about us or bring them with you! For more information phone Julie at 286-1770 or leave a message at 457-2989.

• November 20: Well Baby with the HKPR Health Unit at Haliburton OEYC – from 10 – noon. Drop in a visit with the health nurse, have your baby weighed and measured, talk about feeding, care and developmental questions. For more information call Minden OEYC 286-1770 or Haliburton OEYC 457-2989.

• November 21: "The Laws" in Concert with guests Albert Saxby and April Gates at the Haliburton Highlands Museum. $15 advance Haliburton – York Street Internet Cafe, Minden - Golden Stationers. $20 at the door. The Laws are a husband and wife team from Southern Ontario that have an Austin City, "Edmonton Sun".

• November 21: Haliburton County Folk Society presents The Laws with special appearance by Albert Saxby at the Haliburton Highlands Museum at 8 p.m. You can purchase tickets at the York Street Internet Cafe in Haliburton or Golden's Stationers in Minden for only $18 or $20 at the door. For more information see www.thelaws.ca

• November 22: The Coats for Kids Program – The coats will be available free of charge to anyone simply going to the Minden and Haliburton Ontario Provincial Police Station from 9 a.m to 3 p.m. For more information you can call Keith Burns 754-1928, Dick Schell 286-1647, Perry Morrison 754-2464 or Paul Espie 457-3343.

• November 22: Annual Christmas Bazaar at Specialty Care Case Manor, 28 Boyd St. Bobcaygeon. - Many home made items,bake table and white elephant table. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Come and enjoy hot apple cider and homemade Christmas treats for $2. For further information, contact Angela Sellick at 731-2006.

• November 22: Christmas Craft and Bake Sale, Gooderham United Church on Hwy 503 - Hand crafts, superb gently used items, baking. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

• November 27: Ladies Auxiliary to Haliburton Legion will meet at noon for a light lunch - followed by our meetig at 1 p.m. Our zone Commander willl be our guest. All members please plan to attend. For further info please call the above number 754-3319.

• November 27: University Women's Club of Haliburton invites members and interested individuals – to the program portion of its monthly meeting at 7 p.m at Fleming College. Guest speaker: Al Aubry, general manager of the Frost Centre Institute. He will explain why he left retirement to develop a plan to save the Frost Centre and update us on current and future plans.

• November 28: Christmas Music Night at The Galway Hall at 7:30 p.m. - Sponsored by the K.C.P.E.D.

• November 28: Greetings of the Season Christmas Concert and Loonie Auction – Freaturing Kevin and Bunny Leahy and local talent under the direction of Laurel Campbell (Fenelon Secondary) at the Galway Hall at 2:30 p.m. An evening to celebrate the holiday season. Desserts and coffee, Christmas loonie auction, draws and door prizes. Admission $10. Sponsored by the K.C.P.E.D.

• November 28: Christmas Luncheon at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Main St, Minden - from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Featuring our fabulous homemade soup, sandwiches, goodies, homemade baking (featuring tortiere pies). 50/50 draw, doorprizes and raffle. Admission $5, preschoolers free. Snow date November 29, same time.

• November 29: Santa Claus Parade – Will be commencing from the public parking lot across from the Fire Hall, please bring your float prior to 10 am. Come and meet santa after the parade, hot chocolate and treats... Lots of fun for the kids and kids at heart!

• November 29: Christmas Craft Sale at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441, Legion – hosted by the Kinmount Ladies Auxiliary from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis.** While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca., or brought in to the office.
Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.
NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

PLACE IT! SELL IT!

Canada's largest print and online classifieds network

classifiedextra.ca

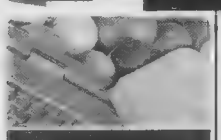
PLACE IT by phone! 1-866-541-6757 | **PLACE IT by e-mail!** placeit@classifiedextra.ca

PLACE IT online! placeit.classifiedextra.ca | **PLACE IT by fax!** 1-866-485-8461

FIND IT!

- MERCHANDISE A050-A280
- GARAGE SALES G100-G300
- PETS & AGRICULTURE A290-A390
- TRANSPORTATION A400-A430
- RECREATIONAL VEHICLES A450-A490
- REAL ESTATE A500-A590
- REAL ESTATE SERVICES S100-S112
- HOME IMPROVEMENT S120-S360
- RENTALS A600-A700
- VACATION/TRAVEL A710-A770
- PROFESSIONAL SERVICES S370-S410
- EMPLOYMENT A780-A870
- EDUCATION A880-A890
- NOTICES A900-A920
- COMMUNITY SERVICES A930-A960
- PERSONALS A970-A995
- ANNOUNCEMENTS B100-B280

canoe.ca — Classified Advertising Deadline Friday @ 4pm — 146 Highland St., Haliburton 457-1037 — YAHOO! CANADA



CLASSIFIEDS
1-866-541-6757
classifiedextra.ca
ADVERTISING AT IT'S BEST!
11238584

Firewood A180

FIREWOOD - Dry, delivery available. Taking orders for winter wood. face cord Call Jim Reynolds 455-9186 after 6 pm
11286985

Reach NEW Clients
Advertise
in the classifieds
1-866-541-6757
11238731

Miscellaneous A230

FOR SALE - Heated 10Ft sander, easy flow with Honda Motor. Also 9ft .2 boss V-plow complete with harness used very little 448-2847
11314655

OBTAIN RESULTS,
immediate and long term 1-866-541-6757
11238645

Miscellaneous A230

FOR SALE - Brock forced air 15 kw electric furnace , good for contractor; $200. ; Woods chest freezer 46" wide $100..small bar fridge almost new $50. , microwave $20. 705 286 6862 evenings
11320647

WOW
Get great rates and even greater results with **Classified Extra!**
1-866-541-6757
11238557

Cars A400

Great VALUE!
1999 PONTIAC Sunfire Many new parts $2000 705-448-3699
11319985

Sell it
in the classifieds
1-866-541-6757
11238744

SUV's A410

FOR SALE - 1996 GMC 4 X 4 Yukon, Runs great, Fully Loaded, Leather interior. As is $2500.00 O.B.O Call 705-455-9509
11288027

FOR SALE - 1996 GMC 4 X 4 Yukon, Runs great, Fully Loaded, Leather interior. As is $2500.00 O.B.O Call 705-455-9509
11312956

4 WD in time for Winter - 2000 Suzuki Grand Vitara Sport Utility. One Owner- PS,PB,PW A/C well maintained, rustproofed. 211 K $4200 O.B.O 705-754-2379
11312950

Parts & Accessories A430

7FT. SNOW PLOW BLADE FOR SALE - Complete with Meyers pump, controls and harness. Came off a J20 Jeep. Call 488-2333.
11314688

Sell it
in the classifieds
1-866-541-6757
11238744

NEW TIRES FOR SALE - Set of 4 Champiero WT-AX, 205/55/R16, $300. 95% tread life. Fits a Pontiac Vibe (2006) Call 455-9830
11305724

LOOK
Classifieds; Black & White & Read All over
1-866-541-6757
11238660

Apartments A610
Unfurnished

Looking for a place of your own in Haliburton Village? We have a private, renovated 1-bedroom apartment located within walking distance of amenities. Includes use of backyard, parking & storage space. Non-smoking & no pets. $530/month + hydro. Call 457-9108.

Ready to move to the Village of Haliburton? We have a renovated 2-bedroom apartment within walking distance to amenities. Private deck, garage, use of backyard & **HEAT INCLUDED.** 1st & last required. Non-smoking & no pets. $960/month + hydro. Call 457-9108.

You: Responsible renter looking for a clean, bright & convenient place to live. **Us:** A renovated 2-bedroom apartment in Haliburton Village. Walk to amenities. Garage, use of backyard & **HEAT INCLUDED.** 1st & last required. Non-smoking & no pets. $925/month +hydro. Call 457-9108.

Houses A650

Wilberforce 2 bedroom house for sale, Large kitchen with Oak cupboards, stove, fridge and gas stove. Newer windows garage, workshop, bunkie, garden shed. Drilled well and good septic. All in excellent shape on large lot. Paved road close to village. Conformable home for seniors or young couple. Asking $116,500 negotiable. call Barrie 705-797-1499

Business Service DIRECTORY

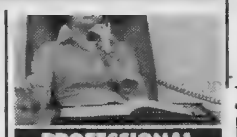
Cleaning Services S160

Helping Hands
Home & Cottage Care
Specializing in cleaning and maintenance.
We are bonded and provide references.
BOOK TODAY FOR GREAT PROMOTIONAL OFFER!
Call Sarah 286-6533
11294978

Repairs/ Handyman S290

ODD JOB JACK
Your Local Handyman
For any and all odd jobs.
What can we do for you?
705-448-9965 or email
oddjobjack@yahoo.ca
11308855

classifiedextra.ca
1-866-541-6757
11238559



Flooring/ Carpets/Tile S210

HENRY'S FLOORING INSTALLATIONS
For Professional Installation
of V.C.T. Ceramic, Slate & Marble Tiles
Hardwood or Laminate Floors
Free Estimates, 2 yr. Warranty on Labour
Call Leo Henry at
Hm: 754-1450 or Fax: 754-2901
Email: floorsinstalled@sympatico.ca

Business Services S370

Mike Thomson Contracting
* Wett Certified Chimney Sweep
* Roof Shovelling
* Renovations/Repairs
Call Mike 457-6365
11314335

LOOK
Newspapers are in every sizable community in **Canada.**
One call gets advertisements across **Ontario**
1-866-541-6757
not to mention the **WORLD WIDE WEB**
classifiedextra.ca
1238703

Business Services S370

DESIGN R MEMORIES

Don't have the time or patience for scrapbooking!
I can create memorable scrapbooks for you and your family to enjoy for years to come!
- Create Entire Albums or Individual Pages
- Invitations/Custom Cards
- Shadow Boxes/Wall Collages
- Photo Frames

GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE
Perfect wedding, anniversary, birthday or baby gift!

Call Angela today 455-9830 or email designrmemories@live.ca

Business/ Franchise Opps S380

ATTENTION READERS
classifiedextra.ca strongly urge readers to investigate potential BUSINESS and FRANCHISE Opportunities before sending money in response to any advertisements.
11285330

Wanted to Buy A280

IF YOUR ARE SELLING ANY OF YOUR PARENTS OR GRANDPARENTS ITEMS. CALL ME, LORNE 705-454-3209
11316901

Miscellaneous A230

FIREARMS WANTED

FOR UPCOMING AUCTIONS: Rifles, Shotguns, Handguns, Bows, Military Medals, Edged Weapons.
As Estate Specialists we manage the sale of registered and unregistered firearms. We can facilitate the sale of firearms with expired certificates.
Call Paul @ Switzer's Auction 613-332-5581 or 1-800-694-2609 or email info@switzersauction.com for a consultation.
Watch our web site for updated listings: www.switzersauction.com
2009 Sales: February 7th., April 18th., June 20th., August 22nd., October 24th.

Apartments A610
Unfurnished

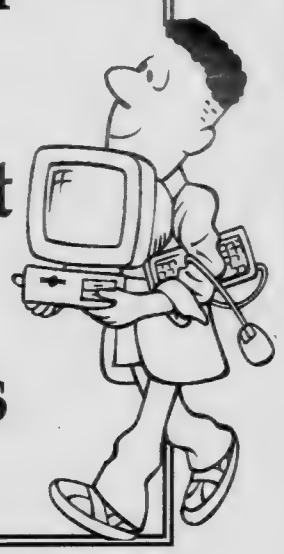
Maple View in Wilberforce
Three Bedroom Townhouse
Unit is Available

A three bedroom townhouse unit will be available.
The rent for the unit is geared to the income of the tenant.
You must properly qualify to receive the rent geared to income unit.
The tenant is responsible for their own hydro and propane bills.
The unit has a full unfinished basement, kitchen, dining and living room on the main floor and bedrooms upstairs.
The stove and refrigerator are included with the unit.

Additional information and applications can be obtained by contacting Kathy Rogers at 705-448-3652 or by writing to Maple View, PO Box 70, Wilberforce, ON K0L 3C0

All inquires are welcome.

Buy or Sell Computer Equipment in the Classifieds



Careers A780

At Fleming College, we put student learning first, innovate with vision, and implement with excellence. Join our dynamic team in Peterborough as our:

HEALTH NURSE
Full-Time Position

For more information visit our website:
www.flemingcollege.com

Located in the heart of Central Ontario, Fleming College has campuses in Peterborough, Lindsay, Cobourg and Haliburton. The college features more than 90 full-time programs with 5,000 full-time and 10,000 part-time students and more than 50,000 alumni.

Fleming College
Experience - Success

Apartments Furnished A600

FOR RENT - One bedroom furnished apt, in town. $600 per month includes heat and Hydro. 457-2734
11304903

Wedding Anniversary
Forgot your anniversary? Call now and let an Announcement tell her how much you love her!
classifiedextra.ca
1-866-541-6757
11238893

Apartments Unfurnished A610

Ashley Hope Apartments
A nice quiet building. Large renovated 2 bedroom apartments. Comes with fridge and stove. First and Last months rent required. $649.00 per month Call toll free 1-866-996-8226
11310825

Classified
1-866-541-6757
11238739

Apartments Unfurnished A610

FOR RENT - 2 bedroom apt, 2 minutes from town. Full kitchen, Full bath Spacious. no pets $1000. month including heat / Hydro 1st and last required. Call Debra 457-4020 available November 15 /08
11293564

Sell it
in the classifieds
1-866-541-6757
11238744

FOR RENT - one bedroom apt 2 minutes from town, full kitchen, full bath spacious. no pets $850. per onth including heat and hydro 1st and last required. call Debra 457-4020 available November 15th
11293829

Houses A650

3 BDRM HOUSE For rent. Avail immed. Located between Haliburton and Gooderham. $800 mth + utilities, 705-327-2021
11319924

FOR RENT - 3 bedroom 2 bathroom in Haliburton. Large living room, Sunroom, Screened Deck, Fireplace 754-9792
11308205

General Employment A800

NOW HIRING
Full and Part Time Housekeeping Staff
For a four season luxury resort located in Minden. Call 266405-8938 or 286-5141 or email resume ogopogoresort@hotmail.com

General Employment A800

NOW HIRING
SUPERINTENDENT TO OVER SEE ALL DAILY ACTIVITIES of a four season luxury resort located in Minden. Call 866-405-8938 or 286-5141 or email resume ogopogoresort@hotmail.com

General Employment A800

Township of Algonquin Highlands

The Township of Algonquin Highlands Recreation Department is currently seeking representation on the Stanhope Recreation Committee. Are you actively involved in sports and/or recreation interested in becoming a voice for your community? Interested persons (including adults and youth ages 14 to 18) are invited to submit a letter of application outlining interests, background and experience to:

The Algonquin Highlands Recreation Department
c/o Dorset Recreation Centre, Box 99
Dorset ON P0A 1E0

or email to: dre@algonquinhighlands.ca

by November 30, 2008.

General Employment A800

Township of Algonquin Highlands

The Township of Algonquin Highlands Recreation Department is hiring one person to set up and maintain an outdoor ice rink behind the Stanhope Community Hall. This contract position begins in December and runs to March 15, 2009, The hours are up to 35 hours per week as required. Interested persons are invited to submit their resume to:

The Algonquin Highlands Recreation Department
c/o The Dorset Recreation Centre, Box 99
Dorset ON P0A 1E0

or email drc@algonquinhighlands.com

by November 30, 2008.

General Employment A800

THEATRE MANAGER

The Haliburton Highlands Performing Arts Society is actively seeking someone to fill the position of theatre manager at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavillion. The manager should have excellent communication skills, be organized, comfortable using a computer, have knowledge of, or willing to learn the operation of technical equipment such as lighting and sound boards, able to work various hours including weekends and have a love of live theatre. Training for the position would begin immediately with a start date of July 1, 2009.

If you are interested, require further details or have a resume to submit, please call Caryl at 754-2999 or Curtis at 457-9778.

Why use classifiedextra.ca?

- classifiedextra.ca **delivers a powerful combination of newspaper and online advertising which studies have demonstrated is the preferred choice of Canadian consumers for delivering fast and effective results**
- classifiedextra.ca **offers the largest reach of any Classified advertising service in Canada with 20 million potential customers across the country**
- classifiedextra.ca **screens its advertisements to ensure quality ads – no fraud and no worries**
- classifiedextra.ca **makes it easy to find your ads both in efficiently organized newspapers and online with the capability to search for ads both locally and nationally**

PLACE IT! SELL IT! by phone!: 1-866-541-6757 • online!: placeit.classifiedextra.ca
e-mail!:placeit@classifiedextra.ca • fax!: 1-866-485-8461

Houses A650

FOR RENT - In Haliburton, 3 bdrm,1 bathroom house with large yard & single garage; within walking distance of village amenities. $975 per month plus utilities. Non-smokers only, no pets. First and last, references required. Call Nathan at 457-2754
11319272

Classifieds get the job done.
Call 1-866-541-6757 to find out for yourself.

classifiedextra.ca
11238541

FOR SALE - 3 bedroom house, All Appliances, Newly renovated. No Pets $950. Plus utilities. 2 references required. Call 754-2288
11318310

LUXURY HOME for rent in Minden, option to purchase, main level, 1477 sq. ft., 2 bed, 2 bath, garage, $1200 avail. Now. Call Don Wilson Construction. 705-324-9381.
11290667

Rooms A660

ROOM FOR RENT - Between Carnarvon and West Guilford on Hwy 118 $400 per month 754-1477
11321832

Room For Rent - Located in the Village of Haliburton. Phone 286-2631
11309769

WHERE ELSE?
Need to sell that snow mobile to make room for the car in the garage?
If you don't sell it, will SHE?
Call **Classified Extra** at
1-866-541-6757
11238629

Coming Events A940

Exercise Your Brain Each Week
Play the Brain Game SUDOKU
New Puzzle Each Week In
The Highlands Weekender

General Employment A800

ATTENTION READERS
classifiedextra.ca strongly recommends that readers never send money in response to Employment or Job Opportunity advertisements.
11285335

HELP WANTED - Person needed for Hardwood Floor installing and Sanding with power tools. Some experience preferred but willing to train right person. Call 705-489-2002
11305713

EDUCATION

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Adult Personals A974

CALL ED 705-754-0303 I need help and if you need help, We can help you! Accommodations available
11321135

Discover Classified Potential

A910

Crafts, Trees, Bazaars & More

Are you an Individual, Group, Church or Organization who has Christmas items to sell this Holiday Season?

Advertise in the Echo's Christmas Corner, published on Tuesdays.

Call Sabrina at (705) 457-1037.

THE ECHO HALIBURTON COUNTY

Christmas Corner

St. George's Cantata Choir & Readers present

A CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL of Readings & Carols

Sunday, December 14th
at 4:30 pm
in St. George's Anglican Church
617 Mountain Street, Haliburton

Free seating tickets will be available in mid-November from Master's Bookstore and at the door on December 14th (a limited number).
After the concert, you're invited to a Potluck Dinner prepared by parishioners of St. George's.

Announcements

Births

CHUMBLEY, Michael, Angela, Amber, Erin and Kelly Welcome with love and joy November 12, 2008
Matthew Kenneth 7lbs
and
Mark Ronald 6lbs 9oz
Proud grandparents are
Brian and Gail Teasdale
&
Kenneth and Valerie Chumbley.
great grandpa Frank Chumbley.
Aunts, Uncles and Cousins are thrilled
Finally BOYS!!

11321548

Show your love for your special someone with the perfect announcement.

Call Classifieds
1-866-541-6757

11238531

Announcements

Congratulations Samantha Berry!

On receiving your award at school.
We are so proud of you!
To be there to see it was great.
Way to go Sammi! Keep up the good work in year two!
Good things happen with hard work. God bless you!

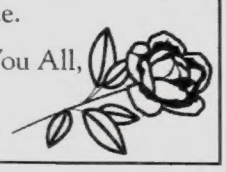
Adrienne, Kristian (baby), Adria & Morley

Card of thanks

Card of Thanks

My sincere thanks & appreciation to family and friends for visits, kind words, flowers & memorial donations on the passing of my dear husband Allan. To the Paramedics, the O.P.P., Barry & Kristen and staff & Allan's nephews as pallbearers & Pastor Wilbert Zavitz for his consoling message & service.

May God Bless You All,
Mae Francis



Thank You Cards

Norman and Ruby Graham
would like to give special thanks to our family, friends, and neighbors the hot flashes and cold shoulders for a beautiful surprise "50th" Anniversary party and for the lovely cards and gifts. We will especially remember the special time we had with everyone, the good food and music too.

11319399

Show your love for your special someone with the perfect announcement.

Call Classifieds
1-866-541-6757

11238531

In memoriam

ILES, Leslie - In loving memory of a wonderful, son, brother, brother-in-law and uncle who passed away on November 21, 2007.

Beautiful memories are wonderful things. They last until the end of time. they never get lost and never be given away. To some you may be forgotten and to others a thing of the past. We will always remember you and love you Les.

-Sadly Missed by Mom, Sheila, Bob and corey

11306540

Card of thanks

Thank You

The family of the late **Ethel Deterling** wish to thank everyone for their kindness, their prayers, cards, and flowers. Special thanks to Dr. Conway, & staff at the Haliburton Hospital & Highland Wood for excellent care & compassion, to Palative Care, & to Pat & Paddy Jordens for three years of care in their home. Thank you to Pastor Brian Plouffe, Wayne Rutter, her Granddaughter, Janet, & Paddy for their words of comfort & memories. Thanks to the Pallbearers & to Dwaine Lloyd & his staff at the Haliburton Community Funeral Home for their compassion & professionalism.

All who gave donations to the HHHS Foundation, and those who attended the Celebration of Ethel's Life with words of comfort, are appreciated.

With much love & gratitude,
Ted, Mary & Jim

Funeral Services

Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd. & Pre-planning Centre

"Serving Haliburton and Victoria Counties"

(705) 286-2181
Toll Free 1-888-588-5777
Fax: 705-286-6661
127 Main St., Minden

Call for information explaining many of the options available to you.

We can help...

- We offer pre-need and at need packages for cremation, burial and memorial arrangements
- Family and reception centre
- Kids play room
- Bereavement support, services & lending library
- Affordable cost options

Representatives for Lons Memorials (visit our on site display) • www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

In memoriam

Max Walsh Nov.20, 2007
& Robert William Walsh Nov.24 ,1971

So many things have happened since you were called away,
So many things we could have shared had you been here to stay.
So many times I've cried ,
if love could have
saved you never would have died.
To hear your voice and
see your silly smile,
To sit with you and talk awhile to be together in the same old way,would be my greatest wish today.
Wee baby boy take care of him because I miss him so.

11322202

Safe in the arms of Jesus,
Safe on His gentle breast.

Memoriam Verse #26
To remember a loved one with this verse
Call 1-866-541-6757 Today

11284171

In memoriam

Max Walsh Nov.20,2007

We remembered Dad with a smile each day cause he wasn't one for tears.
We reflect instead on memories of all our happy years.
We recall his laugh,the way he spoke and the way he liked to please.
His strength, his love,his kindness and the way he liked to tease.
We remember the good times he shared with us and how his eyes shone with fun.
So much of him never died ,he left memories for everyone.
So Dear Lord hold him in your arms and treasure him with care.Make up for all he suffered and all he had to bear.
Whisper in his ear, in case he didn't hear, how much we truly love him and wish that he were here.

Kathy, Steve ,Michael, Stephanie Rogers and Rhonda and Julie Walsh

11322259

RYCKMAN, Gordon - In loving memory of a loving father, grandfather and husband who passed away Nov 22, 2007.

A year has gone already But the hurt is still here. Knowing your suffering is over makes it a bit easier to bare. Gone but never forgotten.

- Love Gordon Jr and Family

11318758

Thank You Cards

Ducks Unlimited Canada

Ducks Unlimited Would Like To Thank You For Supporting Our Dinner For 2008

Sir Sam's Inn
Bonnie View Inn
Blair Sand & Gravel
Chris Phillips
Cottage Country Log Cabin Trade Company
Outdoor Plus
The Collins Family
First Student, Dave Freeman
Emmerson Lumber Ltd.
Watercolours of Haliburton
Ted Scholtes
Haliburton Highlands Golf Course
Larry & Jen Little
Paul Wilson Surveying
Bishop & Rogers
Jim Hopkins & Linda Shadbolt
Walkers Heating & Cooling
CLL Jamie Cowen
Janis Parker
R. Sisson Contracting
The Pump Shop
Rick Wood (LCBO)
Haliburton Foodland
The Wild Outdoors
Haliburton Lumber
Darlene McConnell
Jan Knits Studio
Sir Sam's Ski Area
The Photo Shop
Hawk River Construction
Caleb's Meadow
Dawson Insurance
Matt Duchene
Drew Bishop, Century 21
Dr. Katie Hammerschmidt
Andrew Hodgson, Century 21
All Star Property Maintenance, Paul Bellefleur
Charles O'Neil
County Commercial Printers
Louie's Car Care
Franka's Delectables
Boatwerks
Stedman's Minden
Haliburton Soap Factory
Kitchens Etcetera
Teddy Time
Haliburton Subway
Varty's Jewellery & Gifts
CRS
Haliburton V & S Department Store
Country Pickin's
Magic Touch
Robert Austin Fuels
Todd's Independent
Fort Irwin Marina
Lakeside Golf Course
Haliburton Echo
Municipality of Highlands East
Corey Pietryszyn
Kosy Korner
Curves for Women
Masters Book Store
Bwana John's
Churko Home Furniture
Hostess Chips
McKeck's Place
Schwandt Lumber Harcourt
Win Yeung
Seasons
Sharpley Source For Sports
Simply Different
Lacey International
The Haliburton Soap Factory
Glass Eagle Studios
Maple Moon
Fort Irwin Garden Centre
The Beer Store
Village Court Donuts & Cafe
Rexall
Sears

Announcements

Deaths

Deaths

M.G. DALY
Funeral Home Ltd.

LINKERT, Helen Hannah;

Peacefully, at her home in Wilberforce, with her family at her side, on Monday, October 10, 2008. Helen Linkert, age 75, was the beloved wife of Murray Linkert. Loved mother of Cheri-Lynn Sutherland (Keenan), Christine Wilson, Kelly Linkert-Blair (Kevin Cutting), Jim Linkert, Bob Linkert (Sandy), Larry Linkert (Janet), and the late Rick Linkert. Loved grandmother of Bobby and Michelle, Wanita, Alison, Sean, Christopher, Tina, Dean, Jeff, Stephanie, Ryan and Matthew. Great-grandmother of Abigale, Emily and Sophie. Sister of the late Bill Kruk and Mike Kurk. At Helen's request, there will be no visitation or funeral service. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. (Cards available at the funeral home (613) 338-3259 or e-mail condolences to dalyfuneralhome@bellnet.ca or visit www.mgdalyfuneralhome.com).

Deaths

Deaths

Doris Evelyn McCann

(January 29, 1919 - November 13, 2008)

Peacefully at home on Thursday November 13, 2008 in her 90th year. Predeceased by her husband Richard and son, Peter. Loving mother of Judy (Rick), Bryan (Nicolette) and Barry (Heather) and grandmother to Marcy, Max, Stephanie, Matt, Alexandra, Sean, Lucas and Isabel and great grandmother to Mary Anne. Sister to Bruce and Phyllis.

Doris was a Veteran, serving as a nursing sister in Halifax during World War Two. She continued as a nurse all her working life, including working with Veterans at Sunnybrook Hospital, then as a public health nurse.

Upon retirement from nursing she began a second career, developing Agincourt Community Services, serving seniors in the community. This grew into Scarborough Support Services which celebrated it's 30 year anniversary and recognized her as a founder. Retiring again she and Richard retired permanently to Haliburton. Once again she found services for seniors lacking and with help developed Haliburton Support Services, now known as Community Cares. She has been recognized by Ontario's Health Minister for these accomplishments with her proud family beside her.

Special thanks to all the care givers involved, especially her son in law Rick Wilkins, Dr. Heyes in Haliburton, Dr. Jaciw in Whitby who actually makes house calls. And the personal care givers from Paramed and St. Elizabeth's as arranged by the Community Care Access Centres. And assistance from the Dept. Of Veteran's Affairs.

Visitations & Funeral Mass

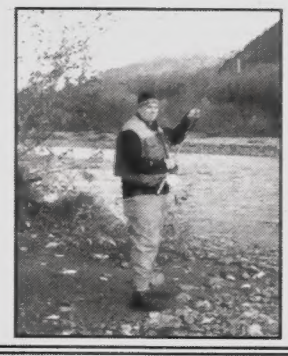
Donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Society of Canada. Funeral visitation to be held at the **Haliburton Community Funeral Home** 13523 Hwy 118 West, Haliburton on Sunday, November 16th between 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm. Funeral mass to be held on Monday November 17th at 11:00 am at St. Anthony's Catholic Church located at 27 Victoria St, Haliburton. Internment to be at a later date in Thornhill, Ontario.

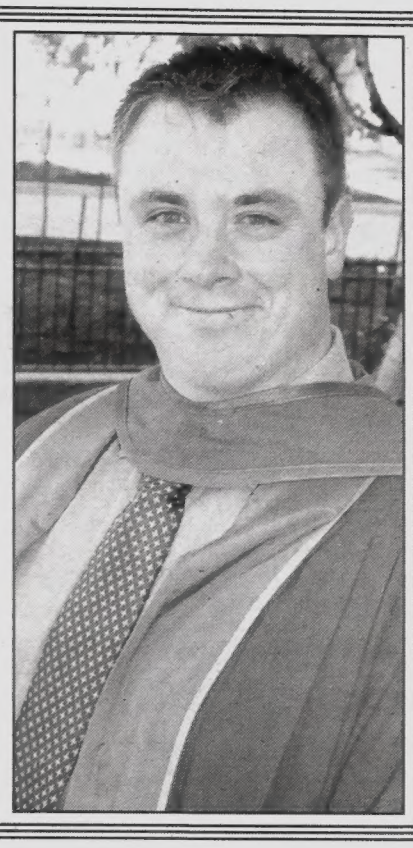
www.CommunityFuneralHomes.com

Graduations

Graduations

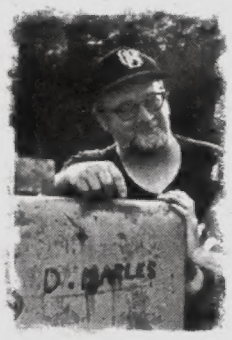
It is with great gratitude and no little pride that the family of **Daniel Thomas Selbie** congratulates him on being granted the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biology on October 30, 2008 at Queens University. Dr. Daniel is now with the Canadian Department of Oceans and Fisheries at Cultus Lake Salmon Research Laboratory, Chilliwak B.C.





Deaths

Deaths



David Marles

(Resident of Coboconk, Ontario)

At the Community Nursing Home in Port Hope on Thursday afternoon, November 6, 2008 in his 69th year. Beloved companion of Ruth Black of Coboconk and the late Evelyn Legere (1989). Loving father of Evelyn (Doug) of Toronto, Craig of Calgary, Susan (Joe) of Coboconk and Laurie (Greg) of Hamilton. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Tara, Ken, Renee (Raffi), Andrew and his great grandchildren Mya & Makenna. Dear brother of Ada, Catherine, Denna and Louis. Predeceased by his brothers Russell, Walter and sisters Anne & Sheila.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends may call at the **COBOCONK COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 6644 Hwy. #35 Coboconk, Ontario (705)454-3913 on Sunday afternoon, November 9, 2008 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Monday morning, November 10, 2008 at 11 o'clock. Interment to follow Pinegrove Cemetery, Norland. As expressions of sympathy donations to Faith Tabernacle would be appreciated by the family.

www.communityfuneralhomes.com

Gladys Scott

(Resident of Pine Lake, Ontario)

Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday evening, November 12, 2008 in her 81st year. Beloved wife of the late Herbert Scott (1990). Loving mother of Janice (Phil) of Oshawa, Tammy (Will) of Tweed, Denise (Lloyd) of Courtice, Shelley (Brian) of Everett, Rick of Mississauga. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Scott, Chris, David, Jaime, Benjamin, Danielle, Tobi-Rae, Samatha, Rebecca, and her great grandchildren Grace and Carson. Predeceased by her son Ray.

Private Graveside Service

A Private Graveside Service will be held at the Thornton Cemetery, Oshawa at a later date. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary or the Durham Regional Cancer Centre (DRCC) 1 Hospital Court Oshawa, Ontario L1G 4T5 would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. 118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209.

www.communityfuneralhomes.com

HALIBURTON
191 Highland St.
(705) 457-1011

MINDEN
HWY #35 - Peakside Plaza
(705) 286-2911

WILBERFORCE
2260 Loop Rd.
(705) 448-2222

KENNISIS LAKE
4490 Kennisis Lake Rd.
(705) 754-4242

RE/MAX®
Brokerage - Independently Owned & Operated
Haliburton Highlands Realty Ltd.

Children's Miracle Network

www.remax-haliburtonhighlands.com

** Sales Representative; ** Broker; *** Broker of Record; **** Broker/Manager*

Ken Barry**
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.228

$269,900
12 MILE LAKE
Superb property on 12 Mile Lake with a great sunrise view & sandy gravel shoreline, great for kids & adults alike. This private setting would be a great location to erect your new cottage suitable for a walkout bsmt due to the gentle slope to the lake. Good storage building & woodshed compliment the property.

Peter Brady**
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.234

$485,000
KOSHLONG LAKE
There is no other! Large forested acreage affords all of nature's wonders. 1,000's+++ feet of shoreline with secluded swimming pools, a beautifully custom finished 3+ bdrm exec. home walks out onto the sunny wrap around decks overlooking the lawns & the water. There is so much to living here & there is only one. For a personal tour, call Peter NOW!

Deb Deremo & Andrea Wilson***
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.239

$39,999
Excellent 1.85 acre wooded lot located in an area of custom built homes and cottages with year round access. Build your dream plan. Close to Sir Sam's Ski Hill and minutes to public beach & boat launch at Eagle Lake.

Madeline Doyle*
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.250

$429,900
BASSHAUNT LAKE
Beautifully appointed home/cottage on a no motor lake. 3 bdrms, 2 baths, double car heated garage, screened porch & airtight woodstove. Modern kitchen, open concept w/sep dining room. A must see for quiet living. Private!

Marilyn Hawley*
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.237

$330,900
CLOSE TO SKI HILL
Public beach & shopping - beautiful, warm & inviting country home with lots of privacy. Hardwood & Mexican tile floors, in-law suite & cathedral ceilings are just a start to the list of amenities. Call Marilyn Hawley.

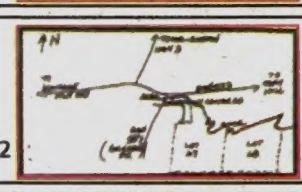
Debra Lambe*
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.244

$224,900
HALIBURTON VILLAGE
Charming 3 bdrm stone & stucco home w/detached garage. Features include stone FP w/insert, formal dining rm, hrdwd floors, town sewers, drilled well & sunroom. Upgraded pressure pump, well pump, windows & insulation in attic. Walk to amenities. Relatively level lot. For an appt., call Deb Lambe.

Lynda Litwin*
Minden Office
705-286-2911
Ext.35

CHARMING OLDER HOME
Village home offers 4+1 bedrooms, is loaded with charm w/large spacious rooms. Sunroom entrance, original hardwood floors, mature lot with blueberry bushes & a privacy hedge. Call to view.

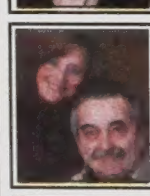
Rich Moritz*
Residence
705-448-1292



$89,000
GOODERHAM WATERFRONT ACREAGE
Great hunt camp or cottage/family compound opportunity on 81 acres of beautifully treed property with frontage on the Irondale River. Rolling & level terrain with quad/hiking trail across the property. Call now for a personally guided tour!

Karen Nimigon**
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.224

$109,000
HALIBURTON HOME
Why rent when YOU can INVEST in your future??? Tremendous value in this 3 bdrm, 2 bath home, just minutes to Haliburton village. Walkout partially fin'd bsmt. Dr. well, FAO heat.



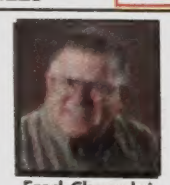
Marj & John Parish*
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.226

$649,900
DRAG LAKE
Brand new cottage or home with 4 bdrms, hrdwd flooring, granite fireplace, finished walkout basement, detached 4 car garage, year round municipal road with Big Lake view!

Ted Vasey*
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.223

$349,500
REDSTONE LAKE
Picturesque setting & beautiful southern view from this 3 bdrm backsplit cottage. Open concept with cathedral clgs, tastefully fin'd in pine & modern colours. Oak & pine flooring. FP, 4 pc. bath, w/out living rm to deck, partial bsmt, year round road.

Steve Brand*
Minden Office
286-2911 Ext. 45



Fred Chapple*
Minden Office
286-2911 Ext.43

Lenor Fulton*
Minden Office
286-2911 Ext.23

Tom** & Gail* Tempest**
Minden Office
286-2911 Ext.41

Melanie Vigrass*
Minden Office
286-2911 Ext.40

Troy Austen* & Linda Baumgartner**
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.231

$149,500
IN TOWN HOME
2+1 bedroom home on level lot. Town sewers, drilled well, single detached garage. Full basement, finished rec room, 2 bathrooms.

Geoff Bunn*
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.242

$149,900
GREAT YEAR ROUND HOME
... or getaway for the outdoor enthusiast only a short distance to Sir Sam's Ski Hill, Basshaunt Lake for swimming at the public access, snowmobile trails are close by, or just to relax and enjoy the peace & quiet that Haliburton Highlands has to offer.

Vince Duchene***
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.25

$299,900
Outstanding family cottage located on Salerno Lake. This fully insulated cottage has been completely renovated since 2005 and features a modern kitchen, bath, laundry, as well as lots of wood throughout. A gentle lot, deep water & sand shoreline, boathouse & more.

Rick Forget & Iona Fevreau***
Wilberforce Office
448-2222

$419,000
ALLEN LAKE
Modern 3+ bdrm, 2 bath, chalet style cottage w/over 1,500 sf of living space, fin'd w/western red cedar on the ext & white and red cedar on the interior. It is further enhanced w/a 2nd flr master loft o'looking the fam rm w/open cath ceiling & a view of the lake, the extensive set of windows across the front of living & sun rooms take advantage of the western exp. & sunsets. Outside the expansive wrap around deck leads downstairs & landings to an o'sized deck & dock w/its own cabana for lakeside enjoyment. Fun for the whole family. Come & enjoy!

Bill Kulas*
Minden Office
705-286-2911
Ext.44

$178,800
MINDEN BUNGALOW
This spacious & very well kept and maintained 3 bdrm home features: 2 bths, full w/out bsmt w/fin'd family rm & guest bdrm that could be used as an office or den. Lrg porch, att'd garage & nicely treed backyard. Close to school, shopping, library & services. Town water & sewers. Call Bill to view this lovely home today!

Cathy Lancia**
Kennisis Lake Office
705-754-4242

$749,700
PELAW LAKE
Year round log cottage on Redstone Lake Chain sand beach, SE view, peace, lawns, private, full fin'd bsmt & lrg upper loft. Pine cathedral clgs & log walls. Berber carpet, woodstove, laundry, F/A elect. 3 bdrms, 3 baths & bunkie with chem toilet & loft.

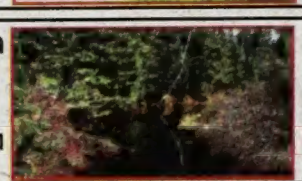
Denise LeBlanc*
Minden Office
705-286-2911
Ext.33

$289,900
BRADY LAKE
Very nice waterfront home or cottage on a large beautiful level lot offering excellent year round access. This property has it all from the detached garage w/studio, full bsmt, main flr laundry & kitchen w/oak cabinetry. The full unfinished bsmt is bright, high & dry and offers a clean slate for finishing. The lot is quite private and has been kept natural on one side to attract birds & wildlife. Right across from Crown land.

Erin Nicholls*
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.238

$149,900
Great 3 bdrm starter or retirement home on pretty lot in preferred family location in West Guilford. Bungalow offers all living on one floor with large living room, dining area, country kitchen, main floor laundry & spacious 4 pc. bath. Full unfinished bsmt, new windows in '05, new roof in '00, new oil tank in '04.

Marj & John Parish*
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.226

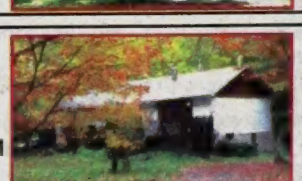


$59,900
1,000' of frontage & 3 acres on Redstone River! Great building lot, hydro available, driveway in, minutes to West Guilford!

Elizabeth Thompson*
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.248

$519,000
KENNISIS LAKE
Buy now & spend Christmas in this meticulously cared for 4 season cottage/home. Enjoy spectacular sunsets at this prime waterfront property with a gorgeous sand beach & panoramic view. Furnished main cottage, plus 1 bdrm, guest cabin, and double garage. Numerous upgrades. Call Elizabeth NOW.

Jeff Wilson*
Haliburton Office
705-457-1011
Ext.233



$187,000
A 3 bedroom bungalow home situated on a private lot only minutes to Haliburton Village. This spacious bungalow has a fully finished basement with rental income. Well worth a look!

"Canada's first publicly traded Mortgage Brokerage"

the power behind the RE/MAX Ball Program...

MORTGAGE BROKERS.COM

Susan Lee • Mortgage Specialist

RENEWING??
Are you getting the best rate from your lender??
The answer is just a phone call away!
Call Susan
705-457-3207
I DO WHAT'S BEST FOR YOU & I'M AVAILABLE WHEN YOU NEED ME!